

## TRICYCLIC INDOLE DERIVATIVES AND THEIR USE IN THE TREATMENT OF ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

5 The present invention relates to novel hydroxyethylamine compounds having Asp2 ( $\beta$ -secretase, BACE1 or Memapsin) inhibitory activity, processes for their preparation, to compositions containing them and to their use in the treatment of diseases characterised by elevated  $\beta$ - amyloid levels or  $\beta$ -amyloid deposits, particularly Alzheimer's disease.

10 Alzheimer's disease is a degenerative brain disorder in which extracellular deposition of A $\beta$  in the form of senile plaques represents a key pathological hallmark of the disease (Selkoe, D. J. (2001) *Physiological Reviews* **81**: 741-766). The presence of senile plaques is accompanied by a prominent inflammatory response and neuronal loss.  $\beta$ -amyloid (A $\beta$ ) exists in soluble and insoluble, fibrillar forms and a specific fibrillar form has been identified as the predominant neurotoxic species (Vassar, R. and Citron, M. (2000) *Neuron* **27**: 419-422). In addition it has been reported that dementia correlates more closely with the levels of soluble amyloid rather than plaque burden (Naslund, J. et al. (2000) *J. Am. Med. Assoc.* **283**: 1571-1577; Younkin, S. (2001) *Nat. Med.* **1**: 8-19). A $\beta$  is known to be produced through the cleavage of the beta amyloid precursor protein (also known as APP) by an aspartyl protease enzyme known as Asp2 (also known as  $\beta$ -secretase, BACE1 or Memapsin) (De Strooper, B. and Konig, G. (1999) *Nature* **402**: 471-472).

25 Therefore, it has been proposed that inhibition of the Asp2 enzyme would reduce the level of APP processing and consequently reduce the levels of A $\beta$  peptides found within the brain. Therefore, it is also thought that inhibition of the Asp2 enzyme would be an effective therapeutic target in the treatment of Alzheimer's disease.

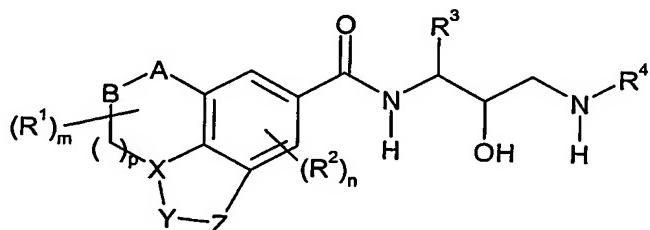
APP is cleaved by a variety of proteolytic enzymes (De Strooper, B. and Konig, G. (1999) *Nature* **402**: 471-472). The key enzymes in the amyloidogenic pathway are Asp2 ( $\beta$ -secretase) and  $\gamma$ -secretase both of which are aspartic proteinases and cleavage of APP by these enzymes generates A $\beta$ . The non-amyloidogenic,  $\alpha$ -secretase pathway, which precludes A $\beta$  formation, has been shown to be catalysed by a number of proteinases, the best candidate being ADAM10, a disintegrin and metalloproteinase. Asp1 has been claimed to show both  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -secretase activity *in vitro*. The pattern of expression of Asp1 and Asp2 are quite different, Asp2 is most highly expressed in the pancreas and brain while Asp1 expression occurs in many other peripheral tissues. The Asp2 knockout mouse indicates that lack of Asp2 abolished A $\beta$  production and also shows that in this animal model endogenous Asp1 cannot substitute for the Asp2 deficiency (Luo, Y. et al. (2001) *Nat Neurosci.* **4**: 231-232; Cai, H. et al. (2001) *Nat Neurosci.* **4**: 233-234; Roberds, S. L. et al. (2001) *Hum. Mol. Genet.* **10**: 1317-1324).

- For an agent to be therapeutically useful in the treatment of Alzheimer's disease it is preferable that said agent is a potent inhibitor of the Asp2 enzyme, but should ideally also be selective for Asp2 over other enzymes of the aspartyl proteinase family, e.g Cathepsin D (Connor, G. E. (1998) Cathepsin D in Handbook of Proteolytic Enzymes,
- 5 Barrett, A. J., Rawlings, N. D., & Woesner, J. F. (Eds) Academic Press London. pp828-836).

WO 01/70672, WO 02/02512, WO 02/02505 and WO 02/02506 (Elan Pharmaceuticals Inc.) describe a series of hydroxyethylamine compounds having  $\beta$ -secretase activity  
10 which are implicated to be useful in the treatment of Alzheimer's disease.

We have found a novel series of compounds which are potent inhibitors of the Asp2 enzyme, thereby indicating the potential for these compounds to be effective in the treatment of disease characterised by elevated  $\beta$ -amyloid levels or  $\beta$ -amyloid deposits,  
15 such as Alzheimer's disease.

Thus, according to a first aspect of the present invention we provide a compound of formula (I):



wherein

$R^1$  and  $R^2$  independently represent  $C_{1-3}$  alkyl,  $C_{2-4}$  alkenyl, halogen,  $C_{1-3}$  alkoxy, amino, cyano or hydroxy;

25  $m$  and  $n$  independently represent 0, 1 or 2;

$p$  represents 1 or 2;

$A-B$  represents  $-NR^5-SO_2-$  or  $-NR^5-CO-$ ;

$R^5$  represents hydrogen,  $C_{1-6}$  alkyl,  $C_{3-6}$  alkenyl,  $C_{3-6}$  alkynyl,  $C_{3-8}$  cycloalkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, aryl $C_{1-6}$  alkyl-, heteroaryl $C_{1-6}$  alkyl-, aryl $C_{3-8}$  cycloalkyl- or heteroaryl $C_{3-8}$

30 cycloalkyl-;

$X-Y-Z$  represents  $-N-CR^8=CR^9-$ ;

$R^8$  represents hydrogen,  $C_{1-6}$  alkyl or  $C_{3-8}$  cycloalkyl;

$R^9$  represents hydrogen,  $C_{1-6}$  alkyl,  $C_{3-8}$  cycloalkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, aryl $C_{1-6}$  alkyl-, heteroaryl $C_{1-6}$  alkyl-, aryl $C_{3-8}$  cycloalkyl-, heteroaryl $C_{3-8}$  cycloalkyl-,  $-COOR^{10}$ ,  $-OR^{10}$ ,

35  $-CONR^{10}R^{11}$ ,  $-SO_2NR^{10}R^{11}$ ,  $-COC_{1-6}$  alkyl or  $-SO_2C_{1-6}$  alkyl (wherein  $R^{10}$  and  $R^{11}$  independently represent hydrogen,  $C_{1-6}$  alkyl or  $C_{3-8}$  cycloalkyl);

R<sup>3</sup> represents optionally substituted C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, C<sub>2-6</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2-6</sub> alkynyl, -C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl, -C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-aryl, -C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-heteroaryl or -C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-heterocyclyl;

R<sup>4</sup> represents hydrogen, optionally substituted C<sub>1-10</sub> alkyl, C<sub>2-6</sub> alkynyl, -C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl, -C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkenyl, aryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, -C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl, -C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl-aryl, -heterocyclyl-aryl, -C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-aryl-heteroaryl, -C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-CONH-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, -C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-CONH-C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl, -C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-S-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, -C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-NR<sup>c</sup>R<sup>d</sup>, -C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, -C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-aryl, -C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-heteroaryl, -C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-heteroaryl-heteroaryl, -C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-aryl, -C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-heteroaryl, -C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-heterocyclyl, -C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-O-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-aryl, -C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-O-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-heteroaryl or -C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-O-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-heterocyclyl;

5 R<sup>a</sup> and R<sup>b</sup> independently represent hydrogen, C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, C<sub>2-6</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2-6</sub> alkynyl or C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl, or R<sup>a</sup> and R<sup>b</sup> together with the carbon atom to which they are attached may form a C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl group;

10 R<sup>c</sup> and R<sup>d</sup> independently represent hydrogen, C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, C<sub>2-6</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2-6</sub> alkynyl, C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl or R<sup>c</sup> and R<sup>d</sup> together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached may form a nitrogen containing heterocyclyl group;

15 wherein said aryl, heteroaryl or heterocyclyl groups of R<sup>3</sup>-R<sup>5</sup>, R<sup>9</sup> and R<sup>a</sup>-R<sup>d</sup> may be optionally substituted by one or more (eg. 1 to 5) C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, halogen, haloC<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, haloC<sub>1-6</sub> alkoxy, oxo, C<sub>1-6</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>2-6</sub> alkynyl, C<sub>2-6</sub> alkenyl, amino, cyano, nitro, -NR<sup>22</sup>COR<sup>23</sup>, -CONR<sup>22</sup>R<sup>23</sup> -SO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>22</sup>, -SO<sub>2</sub>NR<sup>22</sup>R<sup>23</sup>, -COOR<sup>22</sup>, -C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-NR<sup>22</sup>R<sup>23</sup> (wherein

20 R<sup>22</sup> and R<sup>23</sup> independently represent hydrogen, C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl or C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl), -C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-O-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, -C<sub>1-6</sub> alkanoyl or hydroxy groups;

and wherein said alkyl and cycloalkyl groups of R<sup>1</sup>-R<sup>5</sup>, R<sup>8</sup>-R<sup>11</sup>, R<sup>22</sup>-R<sup>23</sup> and R<sup>a</sup>-R<sup>d</sup> may be optionally substituted by one or more (eg. 1 to 6) halogen, C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1-6</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>1-6</sub> alkylamino, amino, cyano, hydroxy, carboxy or -COOC<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl groups;

25 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof.

In one particular aspect of the present invention, there is provided a compound of formula (I) as defined above wherein:

p represents 2; and

30 R<sup>5</sup> represents hydrogen, C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, arylC<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-, heteroarylC<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, arylC<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl or heteroarylC<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl; and

R<sup>3</sup> represents optionally substituted C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, -C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl, -C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-aryl, -C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-heteroaryl or -C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-heterocyclyl; and

R<sup>4</sup> represents hydrogen, optionally substituted C<sub>1-10</sub> alkyl, -C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl, -C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkenyl, aryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, -C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl, -C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl-aryl, -heterocyclyl-aryl, -C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-aryl-heteroaryl, -C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-CONH-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, -C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-CONH-C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl, -C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-S-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, -C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-NR<sup>c</sup>R<sup>d</sup>, -C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, -C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-aryl, -C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-aryl, -C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-heteroaryl, -C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-heterocyclyl, -C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-O-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-aryl, -C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-O-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-heteroaryl or -C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-O-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-heterocyclyl; and

35 R<sup>a</sup> and R<sup>b</sup> independently represent hydrogen, C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, or R<sup>a</sup> and R<sup>b</sup> together with the carbon atom to which they are attached may form a C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl group;

40 R<sup>c</sup> and R<sup>d</sup> independently represent hydrogen, C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, C<sub>2-6</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2-6</sub> alkynyl or C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl or R<sup>c</sup> and R<sup>d</sup> together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached may form a nitrogen containing heterocyclyl group;

$R^c$  and  $R^d$  independently represent hydrogen, C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl, or  $R^c$  and  $R^d$  together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached may form a heterocycl group;

optional substituents for alkyl and cycloalkyl groups of  $R^3$  and  $R^4$  include one or more

- 5 (eg. 1, 2 or 3) halogen, C<sub>1-6</sub> alkoxy, amino, cyano or hydroxy groups; and wherein said aryl, heteroaryl or heterocycl groups of  $R^3$ ,  $R^4$ ,  $R^5$  and  $R^9$  may be optionally substituted by one or more (eg. 1, 2 or 3) C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, halogen, -CF<sub>3</sub>, -OCF<sub>3</sub>, oxo, C<sub>1-6</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>2-6</sub> alkynyl, C<sub>2-6</sub> alkenyl, amino, cyano, nitro, -NR<sup>22</sup>COR<sup>23</sup>, -CONR<sup>22</sup>R<sup>23</sup> -C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-NR<sup>22</sup>R<sup>23</sup> (wherein R<sup>22</sup> and R<sup>23</sup> independently represent hydrogen, 10 C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl or C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl), -C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-O-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, -C<sub>1-6</sub> alkanoyl or hydroxy groups.

References to alkyl include references to both straight chain and branched chain aliphatic isomers of the corresponding alkyl. It will be appreciated that references to alkenyl and alkynyl shall be interpreted similarly.

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References to C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl include references to all alicyclic (including branched) isomers of the corresponding alkyl.

References to 'aryl' include references to monocyclic carbocyclic aromatic rings (eg.

- 20 phenyl) and bicyclic carbocyclic aromatic rings (e.g. naphthyl) or carbocyclic benzofused rings such as a C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl fused to a phenyl ring (eg. dihydroindenyl).

References to 'heteroaryl' include references to mono- and bicyclic heterocyclic aromatic rings containing 1-4 hetero atoms selected from nitrogen, oxygen and sulphur. Examples

- 25 of monocyclic heterocyclic aromatic rings include but are not limited to e.g. thienyl, furyl, pyrrolyl, triazolyl, imidazolyl, oxazolyl, thiazolyl, oxadiazolyl, isothiazolyl, isoxazolyl, thiadiazolyl, pyrazolyl, pyrimidyl, pyridazinyl, pyrazinyl, pyridyl, tetrazolyl and the like. Examples of bicyclic heterocyclic aromatic rings include eg. quinolinyl, isoquinolinyl, quinazolinyl, quinoxalinyl, cinnolinyl, naphthyridinyl, indolyl, indazolyl, pyrrolopyridinyl, 30 benzofuranyl, benzothienyl, benzimidazolyl, benzoxazolyl, benzisoxazolyl, benzothiazolyl, benzisothiazolyl, benzoxadiazolyl, benzothiadiazolyl and the like.

References to 'heterocycl' include references to a 5-7 membered non-aromatic monocyclic ring containing 1 to 3 heteroatoms selected from nitrogen, sulphur or oxygen.

- 35 Examples of heterocyclic non-aromatic rings include e.g. morpholinyl, piperidinyl, piperazinyl, thiomorpholinyl, oxathianyl, dithianyl, dioxanyl, pyrrolidinyl, dioxolanyl, oxathiolanyl, imidazolidinyl, tetrahydropyranyl, tetrahydrothiopyranyl, pyrazolidinyl and the like.

- 40 The term "nitrogen containing heterocycl" is intended to represent any heterocycl group as defined above which contains a nitrogen atom.

Preferably, A-B represents  $-NR^5-SO_2^-$ .

Preferably,  $R^5$  represents hydrogen,  $C_{1-6}$  alkyl (eg. methyl, ethyl or i-propyl) optionally substituted by one or more (eg. 1, 2 or 3) halogen atoms (eg. trifluoroethyl), carboxy (eg.

- 5     $-CH_2COOH$ ) or  $-COOC_{1-6}$  alkyl groups (eg.  $-CH_2-COO-tBu$ ), aryl (eg. phenyl) or aryl $C_{1-6}$  alkyl- (eg. benzyl). More preferably,  $R^5$  represents  $C_{1-6}$  alkyl (eg. methyl or ethyl) or aryl (eg. phenyl), especially  $C_{1-6}$  alkyl (eg. methyl or ethyl).

Preferably, m represents 0 or 1, more preferably 0.

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When present,  $R^1$  is preferably  $C_{1-3}$  alkyl (eg. methyl).

Preferably, n represents 0.

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Preferably, p represents 2.

Preferably,  $R^8$  represents hydrogen.

Preferably,  $R^9$  represents hydrogen or  $C_{1-6}$  alkyl (eg. methyl, ethyl, propyl or isopropyl), more preferably  $C_{1-6}$  alkyl (eg. ethyl, propyl or isopropyl).

Preferably,  $R^3$  represents  $-C_{1-6}$  alkyl-aryl (eg. benzyl) optionally substituted by one or two halogen atoms (eg. chlorine or fluorine). For example,  $R^3$  preferably represents unsubstituted benzyl, 3-chlorobenzyl, 3-fluorobenzyl or 3,5-difluorobenzyl.

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Preferably,  $R^4$  represents

-hydrogen;

- $C_{1-10}$  alkyl (eg. methyl, ethyl, i-propyl, propyl, methylpropyl, dimethylethyl, butyl, 1,5-dimethylhexyl or 1,1,5-trimethylhexyl) optionally substituted by one or more halogen (eg. fluoroethyl, difluoroethyl or pentafluoropropyl) or  $C_{1-6}$  alkoxy (eg. methoxy) groups;  $C_{2-6}$  alkynyl (eg. propynyl);

- $C_{3-8}$  cycloalkyl (eg. cyclopropyl, cyclobutyl, cyclopentyl or cyclohexyl) optionally substituted by one or more halogen atoms (eg. fluorine) or  $C_{1-6}$  alkyl groups (eg. methyl); - $C_{1-6}$  alkyl- $C_{3-8}$  cycloalkyl (eg.  $-CH_2$ -cyclopropyl);

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aryl (eg. dihydroindenyl);

-heterocyclyl (eg. tetrahydropyranyl);

- $C(R^aR^b)$ -aryl (eg. benzyl, 1-methyl-1-phenylethyl or  $\alpha,\alpha$ -dimethylbenzyl)

optionally substituted (eg. substituted at the 3 and 5 positions) by one or more halogen, cyano, nitro, halo $C_{1-6}$  alkyl (eg.  $-CF_3$ ), halo $C_{1-6}$  alkoxy (eg.  $-OCF_3$ ),  $C_{1-6}$  alkyl (eg. methyl) or  $C_{1-6}$  alkoxy (eg. methoxy),  $C_{2-6}$  alkynyl,  $C_{2-6}$  alkenyl, amino,  $-NR^{22}COR^{23}$ ,  $-CONR^{22}R^{23}$ ,  $-SO_2R^{22}$ ,  $-SO_2NR^{22}R^{23}$ ,  $-COOR^{22}$ ,  $-C_{1-6}$  alkyl- $NR^{22}R^{23}$ ,  $-C_{1-6}$  alkanoyl or hydroxy groups;

-C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-heteroaryl (eg. -CH<sub>2</sub>-pyrazolyl, -CH<sub>2</sub>-pyridinyl, -CH<sub>2</sub>-quinoxalinyl, -CH<sub>2</sub>-quinolinyl, -CH<sub>2</sub>-thienyl, -CH<sub>2</sub>-pyrazinyl or -CH<sub>2</sub>-isoxazolyl) optionally substituted by one or more C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl (eg. methyl or ethyl), halogen (eg. bromine), haloC<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl (eg. trifluoroethyl) or -CONR<sup>22</sup>R<sup>23</sup> (eg. -CONHMe) groups;

- 5      -C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-heteroaryl-heteroaryl (eg. -CH<sub>2</sub>-pyridinyl-pyridinyl);  
 -C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl-aryl (eg. -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>-phenyl);  
 -C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-CONH-C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl (eg. C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-CONH-cyclohexyl); or  
 -C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl-aryl.

10     More preferably, R<sup>4</sup> represents

-C<sub>1-10</sub> alkyl (eg. methyl, ethyl, i-propyl, propyl, methylpropyl, dimethylethyl, butyl, 1,5-dimethylhexyl or 1,1,5-trimethylhexyl) optionally substituted by one or more halogen (eg. fluoroethyl, difluoroethyl or pentafluoropropyl) or C<sub>1-6</sub> alkoxy (eg. methoxy) groups;

- 15     -C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl (eg. cyclopropyl, cyclobutyl, cyclopentyl or cyclohexyl) optionally substituted by one or more halogen atoms (eg. fluorine) or C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl groups (eg. methyl);  
 aryl (eg. dihydroindenyl);  
 -heterocyclyl (eg. tetrahydropyranyl);

- 20     -C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-aryl (eg. benzyl, 1-methyl-1-phenylethyl or  $\alpha,\alpha$ -dimethylbenzyl)  
 optionally substituted (eg. substituted at the 3 and 5 positions) by one or more halogen, cyano, haloC<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl (eg. -CF<sub>3</sub>), haloC<sub>1-6</sub> alkoxy (eg. -OCF<sub>3</sub>), C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl (eg. methyl) or C<sub>1-6</sub> alkoxy (eg. methoxy) groups;

- 25     -C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-heteroaryl (eg. -CH<sub>2</sub>-pyrazolyl, -CH<sub>2</sub>-pyridinyl, -CH<sub>2</sub>-quinoxalinyl, -CH<sub>2</sub>-quinolinyl, -CH<sub>2</sub>-thienyl, -CH<sub>2</sub>-pyrazinyl or -CH<sub>2</sub>-isoxazolyl) optionally substituted by one or more C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl (eg. methyl or ethyl), halogen (eg. bromine), haloC<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl (eg. trifluoroethyl) or -CONR<sup>22</sup>R<sup>23</sup> (eg. -CONHMe) groups; or  
 -C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-CONH-C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl (eg. C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-CONH-cyclohexyl).

Most preferably, R<sup>4</sup> represents

- 30     -C<sub>1-10</sub> alkyl (eg. 1,1,5-trimethylhexyl);  
 -C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl (eg. cyclopropyl or cyclohexyl) optionally substituted by one or more halogen atoms (eg. fluorine) or C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl groups (eg. methyl);  
 aryl (eg. dihydroindenyl);  
 -heterocyclyl (eg. tetrahydropyranyl);  
 -C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-aryl (eg. benzyl or 1,1-dimethyl-phenyl) optionally substituted (eg. substituted at the 3 and 5 positions) by one or more haloC<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl (eg. -CF<sub>3</sub>), haloC<sub>1-6</sub> alkoxy (eg. -OCF<sub>3</sub>), C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl (eg. methyl) or C<sub>1-6</sub> alkoxy (eg. methoxy) groups;
- 35     -C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-heteroaryl (eg. -CH<sub>2</sub>-pyrazolyl, -CH<sub>2</sub>-pyridinyl, -CH<sub>2</sub>-thienyl or -CH<sub>2</sub>-isoxazolyl) optionally substituted by one or more C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl (eg. ethyl), haloC<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl (eg. trifluoroethyl) or -CONR<sup>22</sup>R<sup>23</sup> (eg. -CONHMe) groups; or  
 -C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-CONH-C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl (eg. C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-CONH-cyclohexyl).
- 40     Especially preferably, R<sup>4</sup> represents

- C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl (eg. cyclopropyl or cyclohexyl) optionally substituted by one or more halogen atoms (eg. fluorine);  
-heterocyclyl (eg. tetrahydropyranyl);  
-C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-aryl (eg. benzyl) optionally substituted (eg. substituted at the 3 and 5 positions) by one or more haloC<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl (eg. -CF<sub>3</sub>), haloC<sub>1-6</sub> alkoxy (eg. -OCF<sub>3</sub>), C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl (eg. methyl) or C<sub>1-6</sub> alkoxy (eg. methoxy) groups;  
-C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-heteroaryl (eg. -CH<sub>2</sub>-pyrazolyl, -CH<sub>2</sub>-pyridinyl, -CH<sub>2</sub>-thienyl or -CH<sub>2</sub>-isoxazolyl) optionally substituted by one or more C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl (eg. ethyl), haloC<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl (eg. trifluoroethyl) or -CONR<sup>22</sup>R<sup>23</sup> (eg. -CONHMe) groups; or  
10 -C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-CONH-C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl (eg. C(R<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup>)-CONH-cyclohexyl).

Preferably, R<sup>a</sup> and R<sup>b</sup> independently represent hydrogen or methyl, or R<sup>a</sup> and R<sup>b</sup> together with the carbon atom to which they are attached form a cyclopropyl or cyclohexyl group. More preferably R<sup>a</sup> and R<sup>b</sup> both represent hydrogen, both represent methyl or together with the carbon atom to which they are attached form a cyclopropyl group.

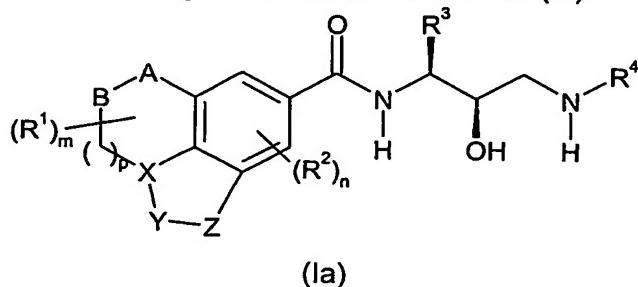
Preferred compounds according to the invention includes examples E1-E106 as shown below, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

20 The compounds of formula (I) can form acid addition salts thereof. It will be appreciated that for use in medicine the salts of the compounds of formula (I) should be pharmaceutically acceptable. Suitable pharmaceutically acceptable salts will be apparent to those skilled in the art and include those described in J. Pharm. Sci., 1977, 66, 1-19, such as acid addition salts formed with inorganic or organic acids e.g. hydrochlorides, hydrobromides, sulphates, phosphates, acetates, benzoates, citrates, nitrates, succinates, lactates, tartrates, fumarates, maleates, 1-hydroxy-2-naphthoates, palmoates, methanesulphonates, p-toluenesulphonates, naphthalenesulphonates, formates or trifluoroacetates. The present invention includes within its scope all possible stoichiometric and non-stoichiometric forms.

30 The compounds of formula (I) may be prepared in crystalline or non-crystalline form, and, if crystalline, may optionally be solvated, eg. as the hydrate. This invention includes within its scope stoichiometric solvates (eg. hydrates) as well as compounds containing variable amounts of solvent (eg. water).

35 Certain compounds of formula (I) are capable of existing in stereoisomeric forms (e.g. diastereomers and enantiomers) and the invention extends to each of these stereoisomeric forms and to mixtures thereof including racemates. The different 40 stereoisomeric forms may be separated one from the other by the usual methods, or any given isomer may be obtained by stereospecific or asymmetric synthesis. The invention

also extends to any tautomeric forms and mixtures thereof. Preferably, compounds of formula (I) are in the form of a single enantiomer of formula (Ia):

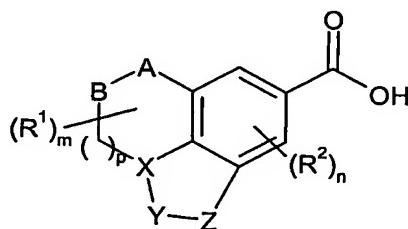


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The compounds of formula (I) and salts and solvates thereof may be prepared by the methodology described hereinafter, constituting a further aspect of this invention.

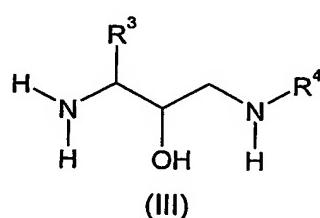
A process according to the invention for preparing a compound of formula (I) which 10 comprises:

- (a) reacting a compound of formula (II)



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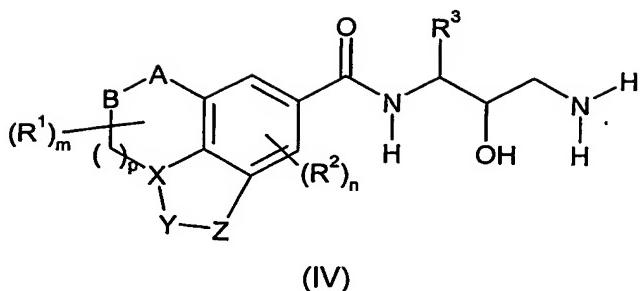
or an activated and/or optionally protected derivative thereof wherein R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, m, n, p, A, B, X, Y and Z are as defined above, with a compound of formula (III)



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wherein R<sup>3</sup> and R<sup>4</sup> are as defined above; or

- (b) preparing a compound of formula (I) which comprises reductive alkylation of a 25 compound of formula (IV)



wherein R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, m, n, p, A, B, X, Y and Z are as defined above, with an appropriate aldehyde or ketone; or

- (c) deprotecting a compound of formula (I) which is protected; and optionally thereafter
- 10 (d) interconversion of compounds of formula (I) to other compounds of formula (I).

Process (a) typically comprises the use of water soluble carbodiimide, HOBT and a suitable base such as tertiary alkylamine or pyridine in a suitable solvent such as DMF and at a suitable temperature, eg. between 0°C and room temperature.

15 When process (a) utilises an activated derivative of the compound of formula (II), (eg. by activation of a carboxylic acid to an acid chloride, mixed anhydride, active ester, O-acylisourea or other species), process (a) typically comprises treatment of said activated derivative with an amine (Ogliaruso, M.A.; Wolfe, J.F. in *The Chemistry of Functional Groups (Ed. Patai, S.) Suppl. B: The Chemistry of Acid Derivatives, Pt. 1* (John Wiley and Sons, 1979), pp 442-8; Beckwith, A.L.J. in *The Chemistry of Functional Groups (Ed. Patai, S.) Suppl. B: The Chemistry of Amides (Ed. Zabicky, J.)* (John Wiley and Sons, 1970), p 73 ff.

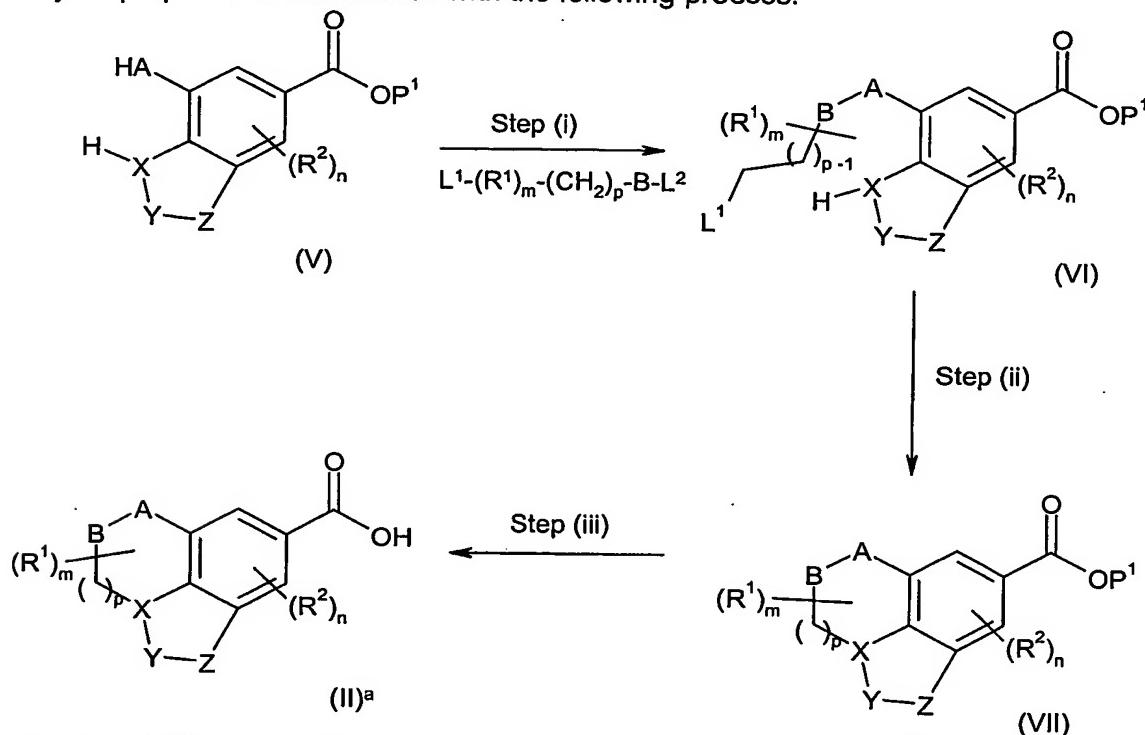
25 Process (b) typically comprises the use of sodium borohydride triacetate in the presence of a suitable solvent, such as ethanol, dichloromethane and 1,2-dichloroethane and at a suitable temperature, e.g. between 0°C and room temperature.

In process (c), examples of protecting groups and the means for their removal can be found in T. W. Greene and P.G.M. Wuts 'Protective Groups in Organic Synthesis' (J. Wiley and Sons, 3rd Ed. 1999). Suitable amine protecting groups include aryl sulphonyl (e.g. tosyl), acyl (e.g. acetyl), carbamoyl (e.g. benzyloxycarbonyl or t-butoxycarbonyl) and arylalkyl (e.g. benzyl), which may be removed by hydrolysis or hydrogenolysis as appropriate. Other suitable amine protecting groups include trifluoroacetyl (-COCF<sub>3</sub>) which may be removed by base catalysed hydrolysis. Suitable hydroxy protecting groups would be silyl based groups such as t-butyldimethylsilyl, which may be removed using

standard methods, for example use of an acid such as trifluoroacetic or hydrochloric acid or a fluoride source such as tetra n-butylammonium fluoride.

- 5 Process (d) may be performed using conventional interconversion procedures such as epimerisation, oxidation, reduction, alkylation, aromatic substitution, ester hydrolysis, amide bond formation or removal and sulphonylation.

Compounds of formula (II) and/or activated and optionally protected derivatives thereof may be prepared in accordance with the following process:



10 wherein  $\text{R}^1$ ,  $\text{R}^2$ ,  $m$ ,  $n$ ,  $p$ ,  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $X$ ,  $Y$  and  $Z$  are as defined above,  $P^1$  represents a suitable group such as  $\text{C}_{1-6}$  alkyl,  $\text{L}^1$  and  $\text{L}^2$  independently represent a suitable leaving group such as a halogen atom (eg. chlorine).

- 15 When  $B$  represents  $\text{CO}$ , step (i) typically comprises the use of a suitable base such as triethylamine in the presence of a suitable solvent such as dichloromethane at a suitable temperature, such as room temperature.

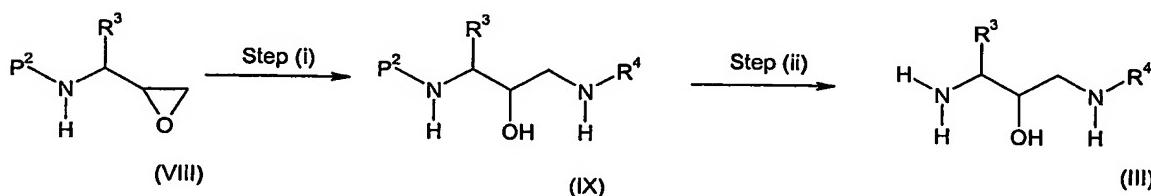
- 20 When  $B$  represents  $\text{SO}_2$ , step (i) typically comprises the use of a suitable base such as pyridine in the presence of a suitable reagent, eg. DMAP and a suitable solvent such as dichloromethane at a suitable temperature, such as room temperature.

- 25 When  $B$  represents  $\text{CO}$ , step (ii) typically comprises the use of sodium hydride in the presence of a suitable solvent, eg. dimethylformamide at a suitable temperature, eg.  $100^\circ\text{C}$ .

When B represents SO<sub>2</sub>, step (ii) typically comprises the use of a suitable base such as triethylamine in the presence of a suitable solvent such as dichloromethane at a suitable temperature, such as room temperature, followed by a subsequent reaction with sodium hydride in the presence of a suitable solvent, eg. dimethylformamide at a suitable temperature, eg. 100°C.

Step (iii) typically comprises a standard procedure for conversion of a carboxylic ester to an acid, such as the use of an appropriate alkali metal hydroxide like lithium or sodium hydroxide in an appropriate solvent such as methanol at an appropriate temperature such as room temperature. In the case of a tert-butyl ester this conversion can be achieved by the use of an appropriate acid such as trifluoroacetic acid in an appropriate solvent such as dichloromethane at an appropriate temperature such as 0°C. Activated derivatives of compounds of formula (II) may then be prepared as described in process (a) above.

Compounds of formula (III) may be prepared in accordance with the following process:

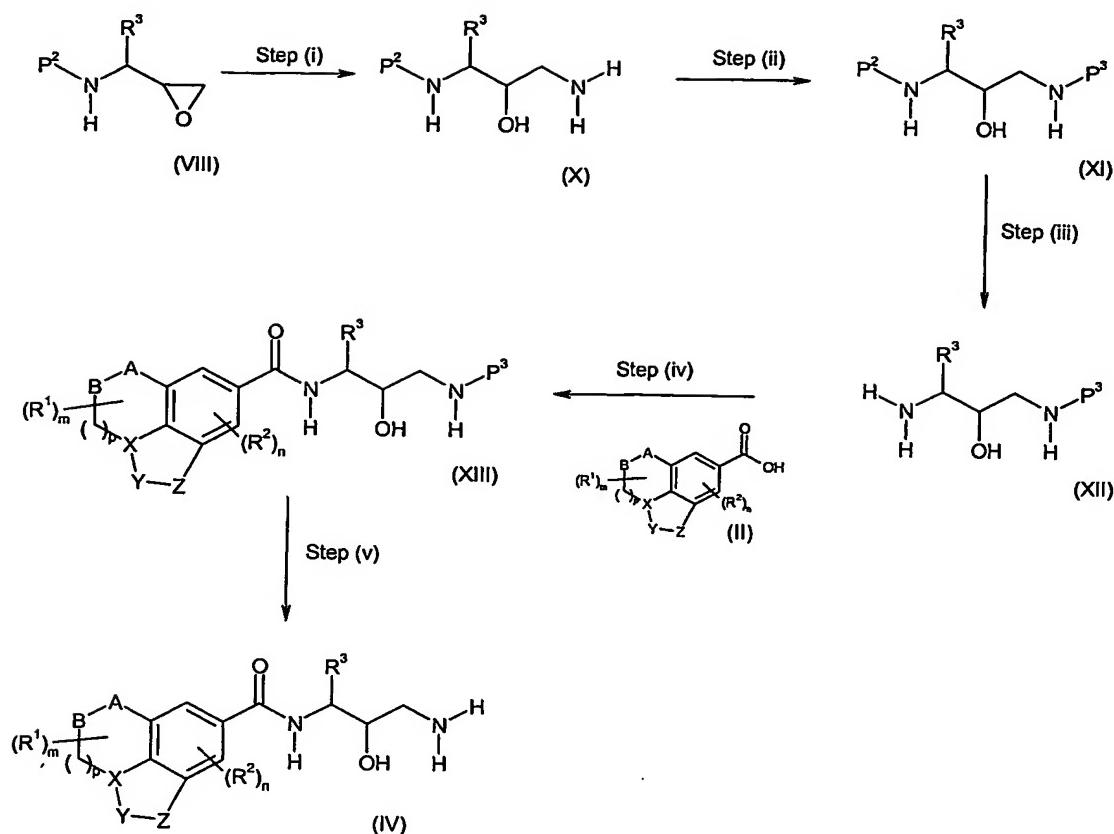


20 wherein R<sup>3</sup> and R<sup>4</sup> are as defined above and P<sup>2</sup> represents a suitable amine protecting group, such as t-butoxycarbonyl.

Step (i) typically comprises the reaction of a compound of formula (VIII) with a compound of formula  $\text{NH}_2\text{R}^4$  in the presence of a suitable solvent, e.g. ethanol at a suitable temperature, e.g. reflux.

Step (ii) typically comprises the use of suitable deprotection reactions as described above for process (c), eg. when P<sup>2</sup> represents t-butoxycarbonyl, deprotection typically comprises the use of trifluoroacetic acid in the presence of a suitable solvent, such as dichloromethane at a suitable temperature, e.g. between 0°C and room temperature

Compounds of formula (IV) may be prepared in accordance with the following process:



wherein R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, m, n, p, A, B, X, Y, Z and P<sup>2</sup> are as defined above and P<sup>3</sup> represents a suitable amine protecting group different to P<sup>2</sup>, such as -COOCH<sub>2</sub>-phenyl.

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Step (i) typically comprises the reaction of a compound of formula (VIII) in aqueous ammonia in the presence of a suitable solvent, e.g. ethanol at a suitable temperature, e.g. reflux.

- 10 When P<sup>3</sup> represents -COOCH<sub>2</sub>-phenyl, step (ii) typically comprises the use of CICOOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>-phenyl in the presence of a suitable base, e.g. triethylamine, a suitable solvent, e.g. dimethylformamide at a suitable temperature, e.g. between 0°C and room temperature.
- 15 Step (iii) typically comprises the use of suitable deprotection reactions as described above for process (c), e.g. when P<sup>2</sup> represents t-butoxycarbonyl, deprotection typically comprises the use of trifluoroacetic acid in the presence of a suitable solvent, such as dichloromethane at a suitable temperature, e.g. between 0°C and room temperature.
- 20 Step (iv) typically comprises reacting a compound of formula (XI) with a compound of formula (II) in the presence of water soluble carbodiimide and HOBT.

Step (v) typically comprises the use of suitable deprotection reactions as described above for process (c), eg. when P<sup>3</sup> represents -COOCH<sub>2</sub>-phenyl, deprotection typically comprises the use of a suitable catalyst, eg. palladium in the presence of a suitable solvent, e.g. water and ethanol and in the presence of a suitable hydrogen source, e.g. 5 ammonium formate at a suitable temperature, eg. 60°C.

Compounds of formula (V) and (VIII) are either commercially available or may be prepared from commercially available compounds using standard procedures.

- 10 As a further aspect of the invention there is thus provided a compound of formula (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof for use as a pharmaceutical, particularly in the treatment of patients with diseases characterised by elevated β-amyloid levels or β-amyloid deposits.
- 15 According to another aspect of the invention, there is provided the use of a compound of formula (I) or a physiologically acceptable salt or solvate thereof for the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of patients with diseases characterised by elevated β-amyloid levels or β-amyloid deposits.
- 20 In a further or alternative aspect there is provided a method for the treatment of a human or animal subject with diseases characterised by elevated β-amyloid levels or β-amyloid deposits, which method comprises administering to said human or animal subject an effective amount of a compound of formula (I) or a physiologically acceptable salt or solvate thereof.
- 25 As a further aspect of the invention there is thus provided a pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of formula (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof for use in the treatment of diseases characterised by elevated β-amyloid levels or β-amyloid deposits.
- 30 It will be appreciated by those skilled in the art that reference herein to treatment extends to prophylaxis as well as the treatment of diseases characterised by elevated β-amyloid levels or β-amyloid deposits.
- 35 The compounds according to the invention may be formulated for administration in any convenient way, and the invention therefore also includes within its scope pharmaceutical compositions for use in the therapy of diseases characterised by elevated β-amyloid levels or β-amyloid deposits, comprising a compound of formula (I) or a physiologically acceptable salt or solvate thereof together, if desirable, with one or
- 40 more physiologically acceptable diluents or carriers.

It will be appreciated that diseases characterised by elevated  $\beta$ -amyloid levels or  $\beta$ -amyloid deposits include Alzheimer's disease, mild cognitive impairment, Down's syndrome, hereditary cerebral haemorrhage with  $\beta$ -amyloidosis of the Dutch type, cerebral  $\beta$ -amyloid angiopathy and various types of degenerative dementias, such as  
5 those associated with Parkinson's disease, progressive supranuclear palsy, cortical basal degeneration and diffuse Lewy body type of Alzheimer's disease.

Most preferably, the disease characterised by elevated  $\beta$ -amyloid levels or  $\beta$ -amyloid deposits is Alzheimer's disease.

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There is also provided a process for preparing such a pharmaceutical formulation which comprises mixing the ingredients.

Compounds of formula (I) may be used in combination with other therapeutic agents.

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Suitable examples of such other therapeutic agents may be acetylcholine esterase inhibitors (such as tetrahydroaminoacridine, donepezil hydrochloride and rivastigmine), gamma secretase inhibitors, anti-inflammatory agents (such as cyclooxygenase II inhibitors), antioxidants (such as Vitamin E and ginkolides), statins or p-glycoprotein (P-gp) inhibitors (such as cyclosporin A, verapamil, tamoxifen, quinidine, Vitamin E-TGPS, ritonavir, megestrol acetate, progesterone, rapamycin, 10,11-methanodibenzosuberane, phenothiazines, acridine derivatives such as GF120918, FK506, VX-710, LY335979 and PSC-833).

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When the compounds are used in combination with other therapeutic agents, the compounds may be administered either sequentially or simultaneously by any convenient route.

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The compounds according to the invention may, for example, be formulated for oral, inhaled, intranasal, buccal, enteral, parenteral, topical, sublingual, intrathecal or rectal administration, preferably for oral administration.

Tablets and capsules for oral administration may contain conventional excipients such as binding agents, for example syrup, acacia, gelatin, sorbitol, tragacanth, mucilage of starch, cellulose or polyvinyl pyrrolidone; fillers, for example, lactose, microcrystalline cellulose, sugar, maize- starch, calcium phosphate or sorbitol; lubricants, for example, magnesium stearate, stearic acid, talc, polyethylene glycol or silica; disintegrants, for example, potato starch, croscarmellose sodium or sodium starch glycollate; or wetting agents such as sodium lauryl sulphate. The tablets may be coated according to methods well known in the art. Oral liquid preparations may be in the form of, for example, aqueous or oily suspensions, solutions, emulsions, syrups or elixirs, or may be presented as a dry product for constitution with water or other suitable vehicle before use. Such liquid preparations may contain conventional additives such as suspending

agents, for example, sorbitol syrup, methyl cellulose, glucose/sugar syrup, gelatin, hydroxymethyl cellulose, carboxymethyl cellulose, aluminium stearate gel or hydrogenated edible fats; emulsifying agents, for example, lecithin, sorbitan mono-oleate or acacia; non-aqueous vehicles (which may include edible oils), for example almond oil,

5 fractionated coconut oil, oily esters, propylene glycol or ethyl alcohol; or preservatives, for example, methyl or propyl p- hydroxybenzoates or sorbic acid. The preparations may also contain buffer salts, flavouring, colouring and/or sweetening agents (e.g. mannitol) as appropriate.

For buccal administration the compositions may take the form of tablets or lozenges  
10 formulated in conventional manner.

The compounds may also be formulated as suppositories, e.g. containing conventional suppository bases such as cocoa butter or other glycerides.

15 The compounds according to the invention may also be formulated for parenteral administration by bolus injection or continuous infusion and may be presented in unit dose form, for instance as ampoules, vials, small volume infusions or pre-filled syringes, or in multi-dose containers with an added preservative. The compositions may take such forms as solutions, suspensions, or emulsions in aqueous or non-aqueous vehicles, and  
20 20 may contain formulatory agents such as anti-oxidants, buffers, antimicrobial agents and/or tonicity adjusting agents. Alternatively, the active ingredient may be in powder form for constitution with a suitable vehicle, e.g. sterile, pyrogen-free water, before use. The dry solid presentation may be prepared by filling a sterile powder aseptically into individual sterile containers or by filling a sterile solution aseptically into each container  
25 and freeze-drying.

When the compounds of the invention are administered topically they may be presented as a cream, ointment or patch.

30 The composition may contain from 0.1% to 99% by weight, preferably from 10 to 60% by weight, of the active material, depending on the method of administration.

35 The dose of the compound used in the treatment of the aforementioned disorders will vary in the usual way with the seriousness of the disorders, the weight of the sufferer, and other similar factors. However, as a general guide suitable unit doses may be 0.05 to 3000 mg; and such unit doses may be administered more than once a day, for example one, two, three or four times per day (preferably once or twice); and such therapy may extend for a number of weeks, months or years.

40 All publications, including but not limited to patents and patent applications, cited in this specification are herein incorporated by reference as if each individual publication were

specifically and individually indicated to be incorporated by reference herein as though fully set forth.

### Preparation of Intermediates

#### 5 Description 1

##### Methyl 4-amino-3-nitrobenzoate (D1)

To a suspension of 4-amino-3-nitrobenzoic acid (50 g, 270 mmol, 1 equiv) in MeOH (600 ml) at room temperature was added  $\text{SOCl}_2$  (20 ml, 270 mmol, 1 equiv) dropwise. The resulting suspension was refluxed for 16 h then cooled to room temperature.

10 The suspension was filtered off to give methyl-4-amino-3-nitrobenzoate (D1) (53g, 100%) as a yellow solid which was used in the next step without further purification.  $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+ = 197.3$ , RT = 2.42 min.

#### Description 2

##### Methyl 4-amino-3-bromo-5-nitrobenzoate (D2)

To a solution of methyl-4-amino-3-nitrobenzoate (D1) (48 g, 244 mmol, 1 equiv) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (1.4 l) at room temperature was added bromine (16.3 ml, 318 mmol, 1.3 equiv). The resulting solution was refluxed for 2 h then another 6 ml (117 mmol, 0.5 equiv) of bromine were added and the solution was stirred for 1 h then cooled to room temperature. The organic phase was washed twice with a 10% sodium thiosulfite aqueous solution (200 ml) then with  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (200 ml), dried over  $\text{MgSO}_4$  and concentrated *in vacuo* to give methyl 4-amino-3-bromo-5-nitrobenzoate (D2) (66.2 g, 98%) as a yellow solid which was used in the next step without further purification.  $[\text{M}-\text{H}]^- = 274.1$ , RT = 2.90 min.

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#### Description 3

##### Methyl 3-bromo-5-nitro-4-[(trifluoroacetyl)amino]benzoate (D3)

To a solution of methyl 4-amino-3-bromo-5-nitrobenzoate (D2) (66 g, 240 mmol, 1 equiv) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (1.4 l) at 0°C was added pyridine (100 ml, 720 mmol, 3 equiv) then  $(\text{CF}_3\text{CO})_2\text{O}$  (51 ml, 360 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and the resulting solution was stirred for 1 h. MeOH (29 ml, 720 mmol, 3 equiv) was added and the solution was stirred for 15 min. then concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was dissolved in AcOEt (350 ml) and the organic phase was washed three times with a 2N aqueous HCl solution (200 ml). The combined aqueous phases were acidified to pH 1 with concentrated HCl and extracted with AcOEt. The combined organic phases were washed with brine, a saturated  $\text{NaHCO}_3$  aqueous solution and brine then dried over  $\text{MgSO}_4$  and concentrated *in vacuo* to give methyl 3-bromo-5-nitro-4-[(trifluoroacetyl)amino]benzoate (D3) (87.2 g, 93%) as a brown oil which was used in the next step without further purification.  $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+ = 372.2$ , RT = 2.92 min.

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#### Description 4

##### Methyl 3-bromo-4-[(2E/Z)-2-buten-1-yl(trifluoroacetyl)amino]-5-nitrobenzoate (D4)

To a solution of methyl 3-bromo-5-nitro-4-[(trifluoroacetyl)amino]benzoate (D3) (84.5 g, 228 mmol, 1 equiv) in CH<sub>3</sub>CN (1 l) at room temperature under nitrogen was added K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (37.7 g, 273 mmol, 1.2 equiv) and (2E/Z)-1-bromo-2-butene (30.5 ml, 296 mmol, 1.3 equiv) and the resulting suspension was refluxed for 2 h. (2E/Z)-1-bromo-2-butene (5 ml, 48 mmol, 0.2 equiv) was then added and the suspension refluxed for another hour then cooled to room temperature. The precipitate was filtered off and washed with AcOEt and the organic phase concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was dissolved in AcOEt and the organic phase was washed with brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo* to give methyl 3-bromo-4-[(2E/Z)-2-buten-1-yl(trifluoroacetyl)amino]-5-nitrobenzoate (D4) as a brown oil (95 g, 98%) which was used in the next step without further purification.

5 RT = 3.70 min.

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### Descriptions 5 and 6 (D5 and D6)

Descriptions 5 and 6 were obtained using an analogous procedure to that described for Description 4 (D4) from Description 3 (D3) using the appropriate allyl bromide indicated in the table below:

Name	Allyl bromide	[M+H] <sup>+</sup>	RT (min.)
Methyl 3-bromo-5-nitro-4-[(2E)-2-penten-1-yl(trifluoroacetyl)amino]benzoate (D5)		-	3.80
Methyl 3-bromo-4-[(3-methyl-2-buten-1-yl)(trifluoroacetyl)amino]-5-nitrobenzoate (D6)		-	3.46

### Description 7

20 Methyl 3-ethyl-7-nitro-1*H*-indole-5-carboxylate and methyl (3*Z*)-3-ethylidene-7-nitro-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-indole-5-carboxylate (D7)

To a flask charged with methyl 3-bromo-4-[(2E/Z)-2-buten-1-yl(trifluoroacetyl)amino]-5-nitrobenzoate (D4) (11.1 g, 26.1 mmol, 1 equiv), NaCOOH (1.8 g, 26.1 mmol, 1 equiv), Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (6.9 g, 65.3 mmol, 2.5 equiv), NBu<sub>4</sub>Cl (8 g, 28.7 mmol, 1.1 equiv) and Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub> (440 mg, 2.0 mmol, 0.075 equiv) at room temperature under nitrogen was added DMF (100 ml) and the resulting mixture was stirred at 100°C for 1h then cooled to room temperature. The insoluble material was filtered off and washed with AcOEt and the combined organic phases were concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was dissolved in AcOEt and the red precipitate formed (2.6 g) was filtered off. The organic phase was washed with water and brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was triturated with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and the red precipitate formed (2.1 g) filtered off. The organic phase was concentrated *in vacuo* and the residue (7 g, black oil) was purified by flash

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chromatography on silica gel (*i*so-hexane/AcOEt : 6/4 then 1/1) to give methyl 3-ethyl-7-nitro-1*H*-indole-5-carboxylate (D7) (1.56 g, 24%) as a pale red solid. All red solids obtained (mixture of D7 and tetrabutyl ammonium salts) were washed with CH<sub>3</sub>CN to give a mixture of methyl 3-ethyl-7-nitro-1*H*-indole-5-carboxylate and methyl (3*Z*)-3-ethylidene-7-nitro-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-indole-5-carboxylate (D7) (3.36 g, 52%) which were used in the next step without further purification. [M-H]<sup>+</sup> = 247.2, RT = 3.42 min.

#### **Descriptions 8-9 (D8-D9)**

Descriptions 8-9 were obtained using an analogous procedure to that described for Description 7 from the appropriate precursor indicated in the table below:

Name	Precursor	[M+H] <sup>+</sup>	RT (min.)
Methyl 7-nitro-3-propyl-1 <i>H</i> -indole-5-carboxylate (D8)	D5	263.2	3.56
Methyl 3-(1-methylethyl)-7-nitro-1 <i>H</i> -indole-5-carboxylate (D9)	D6		

#### **Description 10**

##### **Methyl 7-amino-3-ethyl-1*H*-indole-5-carboxylate (D10)**

To a suspension of methyl 3-ethyl-7-nitro-1*H*-indole-5-carboxylate and methyl (3*Z*)-3-ethylidene-7-nitro-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-indole-5-carboxylate (D7) (3.1 g, 12.5 mmol, 1 equiv) in toluene (150 ml) at room temperature under nitrogen was added palladium on charcoal (10% w/w and 50% wet, 620 mg, 10% w/w) and the resulting suspension was stirred under an atmosphere of hydrogen (1 bar) for 24 h. The catalyst was filtered off through a pad of celite and washed copiously with AcOEt. The combined organic phases were concentrated *in vacuo* to give methyl 7-amino-3-ethyl-1*H*-indole-5-carboxylate (D10) (2.65 g, 97%) as a pale yellow solid which was used in the next step without further purification. [M+H]<sup>+</sup> = 219.4, RT = 2.82 min.

#### **Descriptions 11-12 (D11-D12)**

Descriptions 11-12 (D11-D12) were obtained in an analogous manner to that described for Description 10 from the appropriate precursor indicated in the table below:

Name	Precursor	[M+H] <sup>+</sup>	RT (min.)
Methyl 7-amino-3-propyl-1 <i>H</i> -indole-5-carboxylate (D11)	D8	233.2	3.06
Methyl 7-amino-3-(1-methylethyl)-1 <i>H</i> -indole-5-carboxylate (D12)	D9		

#### **Description 13**

##### **Methyl 7-[(ethenylsulfonyl)amino]-3-ethyl-1*H*-indole-5-carboxylate (D13)**

- To a solution of methyl 7-amino-3-ethyl-1*H*-indole-5-carboxylate (D10) (2.15 g, 9.87 mmol, 1 equiv) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (70 ml) at room temperature were added pyridine (2 ml, 24.7 mmol, 2.5 equiv), DMAP (120 mg, 0.98 mmol, 0.1 equiv) and 2-chloroethanesulfonyl chloride (1.24 ml, 11.8 mmol, 1.2 equiv) and the resulting mixture was stirred for 12 h
- 5 then diluted with AcOEt. The organic phase was washed with a 2N aqueous HCl solution, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo* to give crude methyl 7-[(ethenylsulfonyl)amino]-3-ethyl-1*H*-indole-5-carboxylate (D13) (2.98 g, 98%) as a purple solid which was used in the next step without further purification. [M+H]<sup>+</sup> = 309.1, RT = 3.29 min.

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**Descriptions 14-15 (D14-D15)**

Descriptions 14-15 (D14-D15) were obtained using an analogous manner to that described for Description 13 from the appropriate precursor indicated in the table below:

Name	Precursor	[M+H] <sup>+</sup>	RT (min.)
Methyl 7-[(ethenylsulfonyl)amino]-3-propyl-1 <i>H</i> -indole-5-carboxylate (D14)	D11	323.4	2.98
Methyl 7-[(ethenylsulfonyl)amino]-3-(1-methylethyl)-1 <i>H</i> -indole-5-carboxylate (D15)	D12	323.4	3.19

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**Description 16****Methyl 7-[(3-chloropropanoyl)amino]-3-ethyl-1*H*-indole-5-carboxylate (D16)**

To a solution of methyl 7-amino-3-ethyl-1*H*-indole-5-carboxylate (D10) (300 mg, 1.29 mmol, 1 equiv) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 ml) were added NEt<sub>3</sub> (216 µl, 1.55 mmol, 1.2 equiv) and 3-chloropropionyl chloride (136 µl, 1.42 mmol, 1.1 equiv) and the resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 48 h then diluted with AcOEt and washed with H<sub>2</sub>O. The organic phase was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography on silica gel (*iso*-hexane/AcOEt : 3/1) gave methyl 7-[(3-chloropropanoyl)amino]-3-ethyl-1*H*-indole-5-carboxylate (D16) (300 mg, 72%) as a white solid. [M+H]<sup>+</sup> = 309.4, RT = 3.18 min.

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**Description 17****Methyl 7-[(3-chloropropanoyl)amino]-3-ethyl-1*H*-indole-5-carboxylate (D17)**

To a solution of methyl 7-amino-3-ethyl-1*H*-indole-5-carboxylate (D10) (300 mg, 1.29 mmol, 1 equiv) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 ml) were added NEt<sub>3</sub> (216 µl, 1.55 mmol, 1.2 equiv) and 3-chloropropionyl chloride (136 µl, 1.42 mmol, 1.1 equiv) and the resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 48 h then diluted with AcOEt and washed with H<sub>2</sub>O. The organic phase was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography on silica gel (*iso*-hexane/AcOEt : 3/1) gave methyl 7-[(3-chloropropanoyl)amino]-3-ethyl-1*H*-indole-5-carboxylate (D17) (300 mg, 72%) as a white solid. [M+H]<sup>+</sup> = 309.4, RT = 3.18 min.

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**Descriptions 17-18 (D17-D18)**

Descriptions 17-18 (D17-D18) were obtained using an analogous procedure to that described for Ester 2 (B2) from the appropriate precursor indicated in the table below:

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Name	Precursor	[M+H] <sup>+</sup>	RT (min.)
Methyl 7-propyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (D17)	D14	323.2	2.94
Methyl 7-(1-methylethyl)-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (D18)	D15	323.4	2.97

**Description 19****1,1-Dimethylethyl [(1S,2R)-3-amino-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]carbamate (D19)**

- 5 To a solution of 1,1-dimethylethyl [(1S)-1-[(2S)-2-oxiranyl]-2-phenylethyl]carbamate (25 g, 95.1 mmol, 1 equiv) [Chirex 1819W94 Lot#9924382] in MeOH (350 ml) was added aqueous ammonia (32% w/w, 180 ml, 3.2 mol, 3.3 equiv). The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 16 h then concentrated *in vacuo* to give 1,1-dimethylethyl [(1S,2R)-3-amino-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]carbamate (D19) (25.2 g, 95%) as a white solid which was used in the next step without further purification.
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**Description 20-25 (D20-D25)**

Descriptions 20-25 were obtained using an analogous manner to that described for Example 1 (E1) from the appropriate acid and the appropriate amine indicated in the table below:

Description	Acid Precursor	Amine Precursor	[M+H] <sup>+</sup>	RT (min)
Phenylmethyl ((2R,3S)-4-(3-chlorophenyl)-3-[(7-ethyl-1-methyl-2,2-dioxido-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indol-9-yl)carbonyl]amino)-2-hydroxybutyl)methylcarbamate (D20)	A3	C50	653.4	3.40
Phenylmethyl ((2R,3S)-3-[(7-ethyl-1-methyl-2,2-dioxido-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indol-9-yl)carbonyl]amino)-4-(3-fluorophenyl)-2-hydroxybutyl)methylcarbamate (D21)	A3	C51	637.5	3.12
Phenylmethyl ((2R,3S)-3-[(7-ethyl-1-methyl-2,2-dioxido-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indol-9-yl)carbonyl]amino)-2-hydroxy-4-phenylbutyl)methylcarbamate (D22)	A3	C52		
Phenylmethyl [(2R,3S)-2-hydroxy-3-((1-methyl-7-(1-methylethyl)-2,2-dioxido-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indol-9-yl)carbonyl)amino)-4-phenylbutyl)methylcarbamate (D23)	A9	C52		
Phenylmethyl ((2R,3S)-3-[(7-ethyl-1-methyl-2,2-dioxido-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indol-9-	A3	C53		

yl)carbonyl]amino}-2-hydroxy-4-phenylbutyl)carbamate (D24)				
Phenylmethyl ((2 <i>R</i> ,3 <i>S</i> )-3-[(6-ethyl-1-methyl-2,2-dioxido-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indol-8-yl)carbonyl]amino}-2-hydroxy-4-phenylbutyl)methylcarbamate (D25)	A16	C52		

**Description 26****Methyl 7-{{(chloromethyl)sulfonyl}amino}-3-ethyl-1*H*-indole-5-carboxylate (D26)**

To a solution of methyl 7-amino-3-ethyl-1*H*-indole-5-carboxylate (D10) (471 mg, 2.16 mmol, 1 equiv) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 ml) at room temperature were added pyridine (260 µl, 3.24 mmol, 1.5 equiv), DMAP (26 mg, 0.22 mmol, 0.1 equiv) and chloromethanesulfonyl chloride (354 mg, 2.4 mmol, 1.1 equiv) and the resulting mixture was stirred for 2 hours then partitioned between AcOEt and a saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> aqueous solution. The two layers were separated and the organic phase was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. Trituration of the residue with Et<sub>2</sub>O gave methyl 7-{{(chloromethyl)sulfonyl}amino}-3-ethyl-1*H*-indole-5-carboxylate (D26) (630 mg, 92%) as a purple solid which was used in the next step without further purification.

**Descriptions 27-29 (D27-D29)**

Descriptions 27-29 were obtained from (2*S*)-2-(1-methylethyl)-3,6-bis(methyloxy)-2,5-dihdropyrazine according to the general procedure described in: P. dalla Croce, C. la Rosa, E. Pizzatti *Tetrahedron: Asymmetry* 2000, 11, 2635-2642:

Name
Methyl 3,5-difluoro-L-phenylalaninate (D27)
Methyl 3-fluoro-L-phenylalaninate (D28)
Methyl 3-chloro-L-phenylalaninate (D29)

**Description 30****Ethyl 2-(3-methoxyphenyl)-2-methylpropanoate (D30)**

To a solution of ethyl (3-methoxyphenyl)acetate (19.72 g, 0.101 m, 1 equiv) in THF (200 ml) was added NaH (8.8 g, 0.222 mol, 2.2 equiv) then iodomethane (26 ml, 0.4 mol, 4 equiv). The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 16 h then partitioned

between AcOEt and a saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> aqueous solution. The two layers were separated and the organic phase washed with brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo* to give ethyl 2-(3-methoxyphenyl)-2-methylpropanoate (D30) (20.85 g, 98%) as an orange oil which was used in the next step without further purification.

**Description 31**

**Ethyl 2-methyl-2-[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]propanoate (D31)**

Ethyl 2-methyl-2-[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]propanoate (D31) was obtained from ethyl [3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]acetate in an analogous manner to the process described for Description 30 (D30).

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**Description 32****2-(3-Methoxyphenyl)-2-methylpropanoic acid (D32)**

To a solution of ethyl 2-(3-methoxyphenyl)-2-methylpropanoate (D30) (20.95g, 94 mmol, 1 equiv) in EtOH (200 ml) was added 2N NaOH aqueous solution (90 ml, 180 mmol, 1.9 equiv) and the resulting mixture was stirred at 70°C for 16 h then cooled to room temperature. Most of EtOH was removed *in vacuo* and the residue extracted with AcOEt then acidified to pH 1. The aqueous phase was then extracted with AcOEt and the organic phase dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo* to give 2-(3-methoxyphenyl)-2-methylpropanoic acid (D32) (15g, 82%) as a yellow oil which was used in the next step without further purification.

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**Description 33****2-Methyl-2-[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]propanoic acid (D33)**

2-Methyl-2-[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]propanoic acid (D33) was obtained from ethyl 2-methyl-2-[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]propanoate (D31) in an analogous manner to the process described for Description 32 (D32).

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**Description 34****Benzyl [1-(3-methoxyphenyl)-1-methylethyl]carbamate (D34)**

To a solution of 2-(3-methoxyphenyl)-2-methylpropanoic acid (D32) (1g, 5.15 mmol, 1 equiv) in toluene (20 ml) at room temperature was added NEt<sub>3</sub> (1.07 ml, 7.72 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and then diphenylphosphoryl azide (2.2 ml, 10.3 mmol, 2 equiv). The resulting mixture was then heated at 80°C for 2 h then benzyl alcohol (1.61 ml, 15.45 mmol, 3 equiv) was added and the solution heated for a further 2 h, cooled to room temperature and partitioned between EtOAc and a saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> aqueous solution. The two layers were separated and the aqueous phase dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography on silica gel (*iso*-hexane/AcOEt: 9/1) gave benzyl [1-(3-methoxyphenyl)-1-methylethyl]carbamate (D34) (1g, 65%) as a yellow gum.

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**Description 35****Benzyl {1-methyl-1-[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]ethyl}carbamate (D35)**

Benzyl {1-methyl-1-[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]ethyl}carbamate (D35) was obtained from 2-methyl-2-[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]propanoic acid (D33) in an analogous manner to the process described for Description 34 (D34).

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**Description 36**

**5-Bromo-3-thiophenecarbaldehyde (D36)**

To a suspension of 3-thiophenecarbaldehyde (10.6 g, 94.6 mmol, 1 equiv) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (225 ml) at 0°C were added  $\text{AlCl}_3$  (26.5 g, 199 mmol, 2.1 equiv) and  $\text{Br}_2$  (5.1 ml, 99 mmol, 1.05 equiv) and the resulting mixture was refluxed for 7 h then cooled to room temperature. Most of the solvent was removed *in vacuo* and the residue was poured slowly onto ice. The aqueous phase was extracted twice with AcOEt and the combined organic phases were washed four times with a 2N aqueous HCl solution then with a 10% aqueous  $\text{NaHSO}_3$  aqueous solution, a saturated  $\text{NaHCO}_3$  aqueous solution, dried over  $\text{MgSO}_4$  and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was redissolved in AcOEt and vigorously stirred with a saturated solution of Rochelle's salts for 2 h. The layers were separated and the organic phase dried over  $\text{MgSO}_4$  and concentrated *in vacuo* to give 5-bromo-3-thiophenecarbaldehyde (D36) as a brown oil which was used in the next step without further purification. RT = 2.38 min.

**15 Description 37****5-Ethenyl-3-thiophenecarbaldehyde (D37)**

To a solution of 5-bromo-3-thiophenecarbaldehyde (D36) (2 g, 10.4 mmol, 1 equiv) in DME (45 ml) and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (15 ml) was added tetrakis(triphenylphosphine)-palladium(0) (600 mg, 0.52 mmol, 0.05 equiv), and the suspension was stirred for 10 min. Triethenylboroxin -pyridine complex (prepared according to F. Kerins and D. F. O' Shea in *J. Org. Chem.*, 2002, 67, 4968-4971; 2.64 g, 11 mmol, 1.05 equiv) and  $\text{K}_2\text{CO}_3$  (1.45 g, 10.5 mmol, 1 equiv) were added and the resulting mixture was stirred at 90°C for 4 h, cooled to room temperature and diluted with AcOEt. The organic phase was washed with a saturated  $\text{NaHCO}_3$  aqueous solution, dried over  $\text{MgSO}_4$  and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (*iso*-hexane/AcOEt : 9/1) gave 5-ethenyl-3-thiophenecarbaldehyde (D37) (660 mg, 100%) of adduct as a pale yellow oil. RT = 2.38 min.

**Description 38****30 1,1-Dimethylethyl 2-propyn-1-ylcarbamate (D38)**

To a solution of 2-propyn-1-amine (2 g, 36.36 mmol, 1 equiv) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (20 ml) at room temperature were added  $\text{NEt}_3$  (5.3 ml, 38.18 mmol, 1.05 equiv) and bis(1,1-dimethylethyl) dicarbonate (8.32 g, 38.18 mmol, 1.05 equiv) and the resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 h then washed with a 2N aqueous HCl solution and a saturated  $\text{NaHCO}_3$  aqueous solution, dried over  $\text{MgSO}_4$  and concentrated *in vacuo* to give 1,1-dimethylethyl 2-propyn-1-ylcarbamate (D38) (4.05 g, 72%) as colourless needles which were used in the next step without further purification.

**Description 39****40 (1E/Z)-Propanal oxime (D39)**

To a solution of hydroxylamine hydrochloride (5 g, 86.2 mmol, 1 equiv) in  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (60 ml) were added  $\text{K}_2\text{CO}_3$  (12.49 g, 90.5 mmol, 1.05 equiv) and propanal (12.49 g, 90.5 mmol,

1.05 equiv) and the resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 16 h then extracted 3 times with Et<sub>2</sub>O. The combined organic phases were dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo* to give (1*E/Z*)-propanal oxime (D39) (4.59 g, 73%) as a clear oil which was used in the next step without further purification.

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#### Description 40

##### **1,1-Dimethylethyl [(3-ethyl-5-isoxazolyl)methyl]carbamate (D40)**

To a solution of (1*E/Z*)-propanal oxime (D39) (4 g, 54.8 mmol, 1 equiv) in

CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (200 ml) was added N-chloro succinimide (7.44 g, 55.8 mmol, 1.02 equiv) and

the resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 2.5 h then pyridine (20 ml,

excess) was added and the brown solution stirred for 2 h. 1,1-Dimethylethyl 2-propyn-1-

ylcarbamate (D38) (1.36 g, 8.72 mmol, 0.16 equiv) and DIPEA (9.5 ml, 55.8 mmol, 1.02

equiv) were added and the resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 48 h

then washed with a 2N aqueous HCl solution and a saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> aqueous

solution, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification of the residue by

flash chromatography on silica gel (*iso*-hexane/AcOEt: 9/1) gave 1,1-dimethylethyl [(3-

ethyl-5-isoxazolyl)methyl]carbamate (D40) (1.91 g, 91%) as a clear oil.

#### Description 41

##### **N-{3-(Dimethylamino)-2-[(dimethyliminio)methyl]-2-propen-1-ylidene}-N-methylmethanaminium di-tetrafluoro borate salt (D41)**

To 100 ml of DMF (1.34 mol, 15 equiv) at 0°C was added POCl<sub>3</sub> (25.2 ml, 294 mmol, 3.3

equiv) over 2.5 h whilst maintaining the temperature below 4°C. To the resulting pale

yellow solution was added bromoacetic acid (12.5 g, 89.9 mmol, 1 equiv) and the

mixture is stirred at 90°C for 5 h then cooled to room temperature and concentrated in

vacuo. To the residue was cautiously added 2.5 g of ice at 0°C followed by sodium

tetrafluoroborate (20 g, 182 mmol, 2.0 equiv) in H<sub>2</sub>O (40 ml). The solution was cooled to

-30°C and the precipitate formed was filtered off and triturated with CH<sub>3</sub>CN to give *N*{3-

(dimethylamino)-2-[(dimethyliminio)methyl]-2-propen-1-ylidene}-N-

methylmethanaminium di-tetrafluoro borate salt (D41) (11.8 g, 33 mmol, 37%) as a white

solid which was used in the next step without further purification.

#### Description 42

##### **(Hydroxymethylidene)propanedial (D42)**

To a solution of *N*{3-(dimethylamino)-2-[(dimethyliminio)methyl]-2-propen-1-ylidene}-N-

methylmethanaminium di-tetrafluoro borate salt (D41) (11.8 g, 33 mmol, 1 equiv) in H<sub>2</sub>O

(36 ml) was added K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (1.8 g, 13 mmol, 0.4 equiv) and the resulting mixture was

stirred at 40°C for 5 min. then cooled to room temperature and concentrated HCl (29 ml)

was slowly added. The aqueous phase was extracted 5 times with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and the

combined organic phases were dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo* to give

(hydroxymethylidene)propanedial (D42) (2.25 g, 68%) as a white solid which was used immediately.

**Description 43****1-(2,2,2-Trifluoroethyl)-1*H*-pyrazole-4-carbaldehyde (D43)**

To a solution of (hydroxymethylidene)propanedial (D42) (2.25 g, 22.5 mmol, 1 equiv) in MeOH (300 ml) and concentrated HCl (4.4 ml) at room temperature was added (2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)hydrazine hydrochloride (3.39 g, 150 mmol, 6.7 equiv) and the resulting mixture was stirred for 16 h at room temperature then concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was partitioned between AcOEt and H<sub>2</sub>O and the two layers were separated. The aqueous phase was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography on silica gel (*iso*-hexane/AcOEt: 4/1 to 1/1) gave 1-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)-1*H*-pyrazole-4-carbaldehyde (D43) (2.8 g, 83%) as a pale yellow oil.

**Description 44****1,1-Dimethylethyl [(1*S*)-2-(cyclohexylamino)-1-methyl-2-oxoethyl]carbamate (D44)**

N-[(1,1-dimethylethyl)oxy]carbonyl-L-alanine (1.5 g, 8.0 mmol, 1 equiv), EDAC.HCl (1.84 g, 9.6 mmol, 1.2 equiv), HOBT (1.47 g, 9.6 mmol, 1.2 equiv), 4-ethylmorpholine (1.76 g, 16 mmol, 2 equiv) and cyclohexylamine (1.1 ml, 9.6 mmol, 1.2 equiv) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 ml) were stirred at room temperature for 16 h. The solution was concentrated *in vacuo* and the residue dissolved in AcOEt. The organic phase was washed with 2N aqueous HCl solution, saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution and brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo* to give 1,1-dimethylethyl [(1*S*)-2-(cyclohexylamino)-1-methyl-2-oxoethyl]carbamate (D44) (2.12 g, 98%) as a colourless oil which was used in the next step without further purification.

**Description 45****4-((Z/E)-But-2-enylamino)-3,5-diiodo-benzoic acid ethyl ester (D45)**

To a solution of 4-amino-3,5-diiodo-benzoic acid ethyl ester (commercially available from Maybridge) (72.6 g, 0.17 mmol, 1 equiv) in DMF (450 ml) at 0°C under nitrogen was added NaH (60% in mineral oil, 7.3 g, 0.18 mmol, 1.05 equiv) portionwise over 2 min.

After 10 min crotyl bromide (21.5 ml, 0.21 mmol, 1.2 equiv) in DMF (50 ml) was added *via cannula* over 5 min and the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature over 30 min. 5 ml of EtOH were added and the mixture was concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was dissolved in AcOEt and the organic phase was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O. The aqueous phase was extracted with AcOEt and the combined organic phases were washed with brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo* to give the title compound (D45) (82 g, 100%) as a pink solid which was used in the next step without further purification. [M+H]<sup>+</sup> = 472.0, RT = 4.93 min.

**Description 46****3-Ethyl-7-iodo-1*H*-indole-5-carboxylic acid ethyl ester (D46)**

To a solution of 4-((Z/E)-but-2-enylamino)-3,5-diiodo-benzoic acid ethyl ester (D45) (15 g, 31.8 mmol, 1 equiv) in DMF (150 ml) at room temperature under nitrogen were added

Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub> (357 mg, 1.6 mmol, 0.05 equiv), NaCOOH (6.5 g, 95.6 mmol, 3 equiv), Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (8.4 g, 79.6 mmol, 2.5 equiv) and Nbu<sub>4</sub>Cl (8.0 g, 35.0 mmol, 1.1 equiv). The resulting suspension was stirred under nitrogen at 80°C for 30 min then cooled to room temperature and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was partitioned between AcOEt and H<sub>2</sub>O and the two phases were separated. The organic phase was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography on silica gel (*iso*-hexane/AcOEt : 9/1) gave the title compound (D46) (6.3 g, 58%) as a white solid. [M+H]<sup>+</sup> = 344.0, RT = 3.86 min.

10 **Description 47**

**7-Benzylloxycarbonylamino-3-ethyl-1 *H*-indole-5-carboxylic acid ethyl ester (D47)**

To a solution of 3-ethyl-7-iodo-1 *H*-indole-5-carboxylic acid ethyl ester (D46) (850 mg, 2.48 mmol, 1 equiv) in toluene (20 ml) at room temperature under nitrogen were added benzyl carbamate (562 mg, 3.72 mmol, 1.5 equiv), copper iodide (24 mg, 0.13 mmol, 0.05 equiv) K<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> (1.05 g, 4.8 mmol, 2 equiv) and N,N'-dimethylethylenediamine (26 µl, 0.25 mmol, 0.1 equiv) and the resulting suspension was stirred at 100°C for 30 min then cooled to room temperature and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was partitioned between AcOEt and H<sub>2</sub>O and the two phases were separated. The organic phase was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography on silica gel (*iso*-hexane/AcOEt : 9/1) gave the title compound (D47) (250 mg, 27%) as an off white solid. [M+H]<sup>+</sup> = 367.1, RT = 3.73 min.

**Description 48**

**7-Amino-3-ethyl-1 *H*-indole-5-carboxylic acid ethyl ester (D48)**

25 To a solution of 7-benzylloxycarbonylamino-3-ethyl-1 *H*-indole-5-carboxylic acid ethyl ester (D47) (250 mg, 0.68 mg, 1 equiv) in EtOH (10 ml) were added NH<sub>4</sub>COOH (431 mg, 6.8 mmol, 10 equiv), H<sub>2</sub>O (2 ml), Pd (10% w/w on charcoal, 50 mg, 0.02 equiv w/w) and the resulting mixture was stirred at 70°C for 1.5 h. Another 200 mg of Pd (10% w/w on charcoal, 0.08 equiv w/w) were then added and the resulting mixture stirred at 70°C for another 30 min then cooled to room temperature. The catalyst was filtered off through a pad of celite and most of the EtOH was removed *in vacuo*. The residue was partitioned between AcOEt and H<sub>2</sub>O and the two phases were separated. The organic phase was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo* to give the title compound (D48) (150 mg, 95%) as an off white solid which was used in the next step without further purification.

35 [M+H]<sup>+</sup> = 233.1, RT = 3.19 min.

**Description 49**

**7-(3-Chloro-propanoylamino)-3-ethyl-1 *H*-indole-5-carboxylic acid ethyl ester (D49)**

40 To a solution of 7-amino-3-ethyl-1 *H*-indole-5-carboxylic acid ethyl ester (D48) (300 mg, 1.29 mmol, 1 equiv) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 ml) were added NEt<sub>3</sub> (216 µl, 1.55 mmol, 1.2 equiv) and 3-chloropropionyl chloride (136 µl, 1.42 mmol, 1.1 equiv) and the resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 48 h then diluted with AcOEt and washed with H<sub>2</sub>O.

The organic phase was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography on silica gel (iso-hexane/AcOEt : 3/1) gave the title compound (D49) (300 mg, 72%) as a white solid. [M+H]<sup>+</sup> = 323.4, RT = 3.18 min.

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**7-Ethenesulfonylamino-3-ethyl-1 *H*-indole-5-carboxylic acid ethyl ester (D50)**

To a solution of 7-amino-3-ethyl-1 *H*-indole-5-carboxylic acid ethyl ester (D48) (1.1 g, 4.74 mmol, 1 equiv) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (20 ml) at room temperature were added pyridine (575 µl, 7.11 mmol, 1.5 equiv), DMAP (66 mg, 0.47 mmol, 0.1 equiv) and 2-chloroethanesulfonyl

10    chloride (545 µl, 5.22 mmol, 1.1 equiv) and the resulting mixture was stirred for 5 min then diluted with AcOEt. The organic phase was washed with a 2N aqueous HCl solution, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (20 ml) and NEt<sub>3</sub> (1 ml, excess) was added and the resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 16 h then diluted with AcOEt. The organic phase was washed 15    with H<sub>2</sub>O, 2N aqueous HCl solution and brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo* to give crude title compound (D50) (1.7 g, 110%) as a brown oil which was used in the next step without further purification. [M+H]<sup>+</sup> = 323.1, RT = 3.29 min.

**Description 51**

**[*(1S,2R)-1-Benzyl-2-hydroxy-3-(3-methoxy-benzylamino)-propyl]-carbamic acid *tert*-butyl ester (D51)***

((S)-(S)-1-Oxiranyl-2-phenyl-ethyl)-carbamic acid *tert*-butyl ester (10 g, 38 mmol, 1 equiv) [Chirex 1819W94 Lot#9924382] was dissolved in EtOH (100 ml) and 3-methoxybenzylamine (14.6 ml, 114 mmol, 3 equiv) was added. The resulting mixture was heated, 25    under an atmosphere of nitrogen, for 12 h at reflux temperature. The mixture was cooled and the solvent was removed by evaporation *in vacuo*. The residue was dissolved in AcOEt and washed three times with H<sub>2</sub>O, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/MeOH: 98/2 to 95/5) gave the title compound (D51) (10.0 g, 66%) as a white solid.

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**Description 52**

**1,1-Dimethylethyl (4,4-difluorocyclohexyl)carbamate (D52)**

To a solution of 1,1-dimethylethyl (4-oxocyclohexyl)carbamate (3.56 g, 16.7 mmol, 1 equiv) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (50 ml) was added DAST (4.6 ml, 35.1 mmol, 2.1 equiv) and the

35    resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 16 h. A saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution (20 ml) was added and the biphasic mixture was vigorously stirred at room temperature for 1h. The layers were separated and the aqueous phase extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The combined organic layers were dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. Trituration of the residue with hexane gave 1,1-dimethylethyl (4,4-difluorocyclohexyl)carbamate (D52) (1.7 g, 43%) as a white solid which was used in the 40    next step without further purification.

**Description F1****[1-(3-Methoxyphenyl)-1-methylethyl]amine (F1)**

A flask was charged with benzyl [1-(3-methoxyphenyl)-1-methylethyl]carbamate (D34) (1 g, 3.34 mmol, 1 equiv), 10% palladium on charcoal (50% wet, 100 mg, 10% w/w), 5 NH<sub>4</sub>COOH (2.1 g, 33 mmol, 10 equiv), EtOH (40 ml) and H<sub>2</sub>O (8 ml). The resulting mixture was stirred at 80°C for 2 h, cooled to room temperature and the catalyst was filtered off using a pad of celite. Most of the EtOH was removed *in vacuo* and the residue was diluted with 1N HCl aqueous solution. The aqueous phase was extracted with AcOEt then basified to pH 13 and extracted twice with AcOEt. These combined organic 10 layers were dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo* to [1-(3-methoxyphenyl)-1-methylethyl]amine (F1) (290 mg, 53%) as a yellow gum which was used in the next step without further purification.

**Description F2****2-[3-(Trifluoromethyl)phenyl]propan-2-amine (F2)**

2-[3-(Trifluoromethyl)phenyl]propan-2-amine (F2) was obtained from benzyl {1-methyl-1-[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]ethyl}carbamate (D35) in an analogous manner to the process described for Description F1 (F1).

**20 Description F3****2,6-Dimethyl-2-heptanamine (F3)**

2,6-Dimethyl-2-heptanamine (F3) was obtained according to S. S. Berg and D. T. Cowling, *J. Chem. Soc. (C)* 1971, 1653-1658.

**25 Description F4****[(3-Ethyl-5-isoxazolyl)methyl]amine hydrochloride (F4)**

1,1-Dimethylethyl [(3-ethyl-5-isoxazolyl)methyl]carbamate (D40) (1.28 g, 5.53 mmol, 1 equiv) was dissolved in a 4M HCl solution in dioxan (20 ml) and the resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 2 h then concentrated *in vacuo*. Trituration of the 30 residue with Et<sub>2</sub>O gave [(3-ethyl-5-isoxazolyl)methyl]amine hydrochloride (F4) (0.82 g, 92%) as a white solid which was used in the next step without further purification.

**Description F5****N<sup>1</sup>-Cyclohexyl-L-alaninamide hydrochloride salt (F5)**

35 N<sup>1</sup>-Cyclohexyl-L-alaninamide hydrochloride salt (F5) was obtained from 1,1-dimethylethyl [(1S)-2-(cyclohexylamino)-1-methyl-2-oxoethyl]carbamate (D44) in an analogous manner than for Description F4.

**Description F6****4,4-Difluorocyclohexanamine tosic salt (F6)**

40 1,1-Dimethylethyl (4,4-difluorocyclohexyl)carbamate (D52) (1.0 g, 4.25 mmol, 1 equiv) was dissolved in CH<sub>3</sub>CN (20 ml) and PTSA.H<sub>2</sub>O (1.61 g, 8.5 mmol, 2 equiv) was added.

The resulting mixture was stirred for 16 h. The precipitate formed was filtered off and triturated with Et<sub>2</sub>O to give 4,4-difluorocyclohexanamine tosic salt (F6) (865 mg, 66%) as a white solid which was used in the next step without further purification.

## 5 Preparation of Epoxides

### Epoxide 1

#### **1,1-Dimethylethyl {(1S)-2-(3,5-difluorophenyl)-1-[(2S)-2-oxiranyl]ethyl}carbamate (K1)**

1,1-Dimethylethyl {(1S)-2-(3,5-difluorophenyl)-1-[(2S)-2-oxiranyl]ethyl}carbamate (K1)

10 was obtained from methyl 3,5-difluoro-L-phenylalaninate (D27) according to the procedure described in Patent US 2003/0004360 A1.

### Epoxides 2-3 (K2-K3)

Epoxides 2-3 were obtained in an analogous manner to the process described for

15 Epoxide 1 (K1) using the appropriate alaninate indicated in the table below:

Name	Precursor
1,1-Dimethylethyl {(1S)-2-(3-fluorophenyl)-1-[(2S)-2-oxiranyl]ethyl}carbamate (K2)	D28
1,1-Dimethylethyl {(1S)-2-(3-chlorophenyl)-1-[(2S)-2-oxiranyl]ethyl}carbamate (K3)	D29

## Preparation of Esters

### Ester 1

#### **Methyl 7-ethyl-2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro[1,4]diazepino[3,2,1-h]indole-9-carboxylate (B1)**

To a solution of methyl 7-[(3-chloropropanoyl)amino]-3-ethyl-1*H*-indole-5-carboxylate (D16) (300 mg, 0.93 mmol, 1 equiv) in DMF (10 ml) at room temperature under nitrogen was added NaH (60% in mineral oil, 41 mg, 1.02 mmol, 1.1 equiv). The resulting solution

25 was heated to 100°C for 1 h and then cooled to room temperature. Excess NaH was neutralised with MeOH (2 ml) and the solution was concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was dissolved in AcOEt and the organic phase was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography on silica gel (iso-hexane/AcOEt : 2/3) gave methyl 7-ethyl-2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro[1,4]diazepino[3,2,1-h]indole-9-carboxylate (B1) (120 mg, 45%) as a white

30 solid. [M+H]<sup>+</sup> = 273.0, RT = 3.08 min.

### Ester 2

#### **Methyl 7-ethyl-3,4-dihydro-1*H*-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-h]indole-9-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B2)**

To a solution of methyl 7-[(ethenylsulfonyl)amino]-3-ethyl-1*H*-indole-5-carboxylate (D13) (2.98 g, 9.69 mmol, 1 equiv) in DMF (40 ml) at room temperature under nitrogen was

added NaH (60% in mineral oil, 465 mg, 11.6 mmol, 1.2 equiv). After 5 min, the mixture was heated to 100°C for 1 h and then cooled to room temperature. MeOH (1 ml) was added and the solution was concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was dissolved in AcOEt and the organic phase was washed with a saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> aqueous solution, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. Trituration of the residue with Et<sub>2</sub>O gave methyl 7-ethyl-3,4-dihydro-1*H*-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-*h*]indole-9-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B2) (1.67 g, 55%) as a brown solid which was used in the next step without further purification. [M+H]<sup>+</sup> = 309.3, RT = 2.93 min.

10 **Ester 3 (Procedure A)**

**Methyl 7-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1*H*-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-*h*]indole-9-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B3)**

To a solution of methyl 7-ethyl-3,4-dihydro-1*H*-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-*h*]indole-9-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B2) (2.07 g, 6.74 mmol, 1 equiv) in DMF (50 ml) at room temperature under nitrogen were added K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (4.65 g, 33.7 mmol, 5 equiv) and iodomethane (2.1 ml, 33.7 mmol, 5 equiv). The resulting mixture was stirred at 80°C for 1 h then cooled to room temperature, filtered through a pad of celite and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was dissolved in AcOEt and the organic phase was washed with a saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> aqueous solution, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. Trituration of the residue with Et<sub>2</sub>O gave methyl 7-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1*H*-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-*h*]indole-9-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B3) (1.58 g, 73%) as a white solid which was used in the next step without further purification. [M+H]<sup>+</sup> = 323.1, RT = 2.90 min.

25 **Ester 3 (Procedure B)**

**Methyl 7-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1*H*-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-*h*]indole-9-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B3)**

To a solution of methyl 7-ethyl-3,4-dihydro-1*H*-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-*h*]indole-9-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B2) (191 mg, 0.62 mmol, 1 equiv) in DMF (3 ml) at room temperature were added NaH (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 50 mg, 1.25 mmol, 2 equiv) and iodomethane (46 µl, 0.74 mmol, 1.2 equiv) and the resulting solution was stirred for 1 h then partitioned between AcOEt and a saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> aqueous solution. The two layers were separated and the organic phase was washed with brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography on silica gel (*iso*-hexane/AcOEt: 4/1 to 1/1) gave methyl 7-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1*H*-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-*h*]indole-9-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B3) (44 mg, 22%) as a brown gum.

**Ester 4**

40 **Methyl 7-ethyl-1-phenyl-3,4-dihydro-1*H*-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-*h*]indole-9-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B4)**

To a solution of methyl 7-ethyl-3,4-dihydro-1*H*-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-*h*]indole-9-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B2) (200 mg, 0.65 mmol, 1 equiv) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (30 ml) were added phenylboronic acid (312 mg, 2.5 mmol, 3.8 equiv), Cu(OAc)<sub>2</sub> (228 mg, 1.25 mmol, 1.9 equiv), NEt<sub>3</sub> (350 µl, 2.5 mmol, 3.8 equiv) and powdered activated 4A molecular sieves (300 mg, 150% w/w). The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h then the molecular sieves were filtered off through a pad of celite and the organic phase was washed with 2N HCl aqueous solution and a 2N NaOH aqueous solution, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography on silica gel (*i*so-hexane/AcOEt: 1/2) gave methyl 7-ethyl-1-phenyl-3,4-dihydro-1*H*-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-*h*]indole-9-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B4) (30 mg, 12%) as a white solid. [M+H]<sup>+</sup> = 385.2, R.T. = 3.54 min.

### Ester 5

#### Methyl 7-ethyl-1,3-dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-1*H*-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-*h*]indole-9-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B5)

Methyl 7-ethyl-1,3-dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-1*H*-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-*h*]indole-9-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B5) was obtained as a by-product of the synthesis of Ester 3 (Procedure B).

### 20 Esters 9 and 11 (B9 and B11)

Esters 9 and 11 (B9 and B11) were obtained in an analogous manner to that described for Ester 3 (Procedure A) using the appropriate precursor indicated in the table below:

Name	Precursor	[M+H] <sup>+</sup>	RT (min.)
Methyl 1-methyl-7-(1-methylethyl)-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B9)	D18	337.4	3.13
Methyl 1-methyl-7-propyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B11)	D17	337.2	3.13

### 25 Esters B6-B8, B10 and B12-B13

The following esters were obtained using an analogous manner to that described for Ester 3 (Procedure A) from the appropriate precursor and alkylating reagent indicated in the table below:

Name	Precursor	Alkylating Reagent	[M+H] <sup>+</sup>	RT (min.)
Methyl 6-ethyl-1-(phenylmethyl)-9a,9b-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-8-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B6)	B2		-	-

Methyl 7-ethyl-1-(1-methylethyl)-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B7)	B2		351.4	3.40
Methyl 1,7-diethyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B8)	B2		337.5	3.30
Methyl 7-ethyl-1-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B10)	B2		391.4	3.36
Methyl 1-ethyl-7-propyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B12)	D17		351.2	3.26
Methyl 1-{2-[(1,1-dimethylethyl)oxy]-2-oxoethyl}-7-ethyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B13)	B2		440.4 ([M+NH <sub>3</sub> +H] <sup>+</sup> )	3.46

**Ester 14****Methyl 6-ethyl-1*H*-[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5-*h*]indole-8-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B14)**

To a solution of methyl 7-{{(chloromethyl)sulfonyl}amino}-3-ethyl-1*H*-indole-5-carboxylate (D26) (630 mg, 1.91 mmol, 1 equiv) in DMF (10 ml) at room temperature was added NaH (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 153 mg, 3.82 mmol, 2 equiv) and after 5 min the solution was stirred at 100°C for 1 hour then cooled to room temperature. NaH (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 50 mg, 1.25 mmol, 0.6 equiv) was added and the solution stirred at 100°C for another 1 h then cooled to room temperature and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was partitioned between AcOEt and a 2N aqueous HCl solution. The two layers were separated and the organic phase was washed with a saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> aqueous solution and brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography on silica gel (*i*so-hexane/AcOEt: 9/1 to 1/1) gave methyl 6-ethyl-1*H*-[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5-*h*]indole-8-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B14) (143 mg, 41%) as a brown solid.

**Ester 16****Methyl 6-ethyl-1-methyl-1*H*-[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5-*h*]indole-8-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B16)**

To a solution of methyl 6-ethyl-1*H*-[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5-*h*]indole-8-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B14) (27 mg, 91 µmol, 1 equiv) in DMF (1 ml) at room temperature were added NaH (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 7 mg, 0.182 mmol, 2 equiv) and iodomethane (200 µl, 3.2 mmol, excess) and the resulting solution was stirred for 1 h then partitioned between AcOEt and a saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> aqueous solution. The two layers were

separated and the organic phase was washed with brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography on silica gel (iso-hexane/AcOEt: 9/1 to 4/1) gave methyl 6-ethyl-1-methyl-1*H*-[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5-*h*]indole-8-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B16) (20 mg, 71%) as a brown solid.

5 [M+H]<sup>+</sup> = 309.1, R.T. = 2.90 min.

#### Ester 15

##### Methyl 6-ethyl-1,3-dimethyl-1*H*-[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5-*h*]indole-8-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B15)

10 Methyl 6-ethyl-1,3-dimethyl-1*H*-[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5-*h*]indole-8-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B15) was obtained as a by-product of the synthesis of ester B16.

#### Ester 17

##### Methyl 6-ethyl-1,3,3-trimethyl-1*H*-[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5-*h*]indole-8-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B17)

Methyl 6-ethyl-1,3,3-trimethyl-1*H*-[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5-*h*]indole-8-carboxylate 2,2-dioxide (B17) was obtained as a by-product of the synthesis of ester B16.

#### Ester 18

##### 7-Ethyl-2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-[1,4]diazepino[3,2,1-*h*]indole-9-carboxylic acid ethyl ester (B18)

To a solution of 7-(3-chloro-propanoylamino)-3-ethyl-1*H*-indole-5-carboxylic acid ethyl ester (D49) (300 mg, 0.93 mmol, 1 equiv) in DMF (10 ml) at room temperature under nitrogen was added NaH (60% in mineral oil, 41 mg, 1.02 mmol, 1.1 equiv). The resulting solution was heated to 100°C for 1 h and then cooled to room temperature. Excess NaH was neutralised with EtOH (2 ml) and the solution was concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was dissolved in AcOEt and the organic phase was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography on silica gel (iso-hexane/AcOEt : 2/3) gave the title compound (B18) (120 mg, 45%) as a white solid. [M+H]<sup>+</sup> = 287.0, RT = 3.08 min.

#### Ester 19

##### 2-Ethyl-7,7-dioxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-7*H*-thia-6,9a-diaza-benzo[cd]azulene-4-carboxylic acid ethyl ester (B19)

35 To a solution of 7-ethenesulfonylamino-3-ethyl-1*H*-indole-5-carboxylic acid ethyl ester (D50) (130 mg, 0.4 mmol, 1 equiv) in DMF (10 ml) at room temperature under nitrogen was added NaH (60% in mineral oil, 19 mg, 0.45 mmol, 1.2 equiv). After 5 min, the mixture was heated to 100°C for 1 h and then cooled to room temperature. EtOH (1 ml) was added and the solution was diluted with AcOEt. The organic phase was washed with 2N aqueous HCl solution, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo* to give the title compound (B19) (100 mg, 77%) as a brown solid which was used in the next step without further purification. [M+H]<sup>+</sup> = 323.3, RT = 2.93 min.

**Ester 20****2-Ethyl-6-methyl-7,7-dioxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-7/<sup>6</sup>-thia-6,9a-diaza-benzo[cd]azulene-4-carboxylic acid ethyl ester (B20)**

- 5 To a solution of 2-ethyl-7,7-dioxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-7/<sup>6</sup>-thia-6,9a-diaza-benzo[cd]azulene-4-carboxylic acid ethyl ester (B19) (200 mg, 0.621 mmol, 1 equiv) in DMF (10 ml) at room temperature under nitrogen were added NaH (60% in mineral oil, 50 mg, 1.24 mmol, 2 equiv) and, after 2 min, MeI (46 µl, 0.74 mmol, 1.2 equiv). The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 30 min then EtOH (1 ml) was added and the solution concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was dissolved in AcOEt and the organic phase was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography on silica gel (*iso*-hexane/AcOEt : 1/1) gave the title compound (B20) (150 mg, 76%) as a white solid. [M+H]<sup>+</sup> = 337.1, RT = 3.24 min.
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**Ester 21****2-Ethyl-7,7-dioxo-6-phenyl-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-7/<sup>6</sup>-thia-6,9a-diaza-benzo[cd]azulene-4-carboxylic acid ethyl ester (B21)**

- To a solution of 2-ethyl-7,7-dioxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-7/<sup>6</sup>-thia-6,9a-diaza-benzo[cd]azulene-4-carboxylic acid ethyl ester (B19) (200 mg, 0.62 mmol, 1 equiv) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (30 ml) were added phenylboronic acid (312 mg, 2.5 mmol, 4 equiv), copper (II) acetate (220 mg, 1.25 mmol, 2 equiv), NEt<sub>3</sub> (350 ml, 2.5 mmol, 4 equiv) and activated 4A molecular sieves (300 mg). The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h and then filtered. The filtrate was washed with 2N aqueous HCl solution, a 2N aqueous NaOH solution, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography on silica gel (*iso*-hexane/AcOEt : 2/1) gave the title compound (B21) (30 mg, 12%) as a white solid. [M+H]<sup>+</sup> = 399.2, RT = 3.54 min.

**Preparation of BOC-protected amines**30 **BOC-protected Amine 1**

**Tert-butyl [(1S,2R)-1-benzyl-3-(cyclohexylamino)-2-hydroxypropyl]carbamate (H1)**  
 Tert-butyl {(1S)-1-[(2S)-oxiran-2-yl]-2-phenylethyl}carbamate (10 g, 38 mmol, 1 equiv) [Chirex 1819W94 Lot#9924382] was dissolved in EtOH (100 ml) and cyclohexylamine (13 ml, 114 mmol, 3 equiv) was added. The resulting mixture was heated, under an atmosphere of nitrogen, for 12 h at reflux temperature. The mixture was cooled and the solvent was removed by evaporation *in vacuo*. The resulting white solid was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and then with Et<sub>2</sub>O before drying *in vacuo* to give *tert*-butyl [(1S,2R)-1-benzyl-3-(cyclohexylamino)-2-hydroxypropyl]carbamate (H1) (9.0 g, 66%).  
 [M+H]<sup>+</sup> = 363.2

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**BOC-protected Amines 2-46 (H2-H46)**

BOC-protected amines 2-46 were prepared in an analogous manner to that described for BOC-protected amine H1, substituting cyclohexylamine with the appropriate epoxide or amine indicated in the table below (if not commercially available):

BOC-protected amine	Epoxide precursor	Amine precursor
<i>Tert</i> -butyl {(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-2-hydroxy-3-[(3-methoxybenzyl)amino] propyl}carbamate (H2)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl ((1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-2-hydroxy-3-[(3-(trifluoromethyl)benzyl) amino]propyl)carbamate (H3)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl ((1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-2-hydroxy-3-[(1-(3-methoxyphenyl)-1-methylethyl]amino)propyl)carbamate (H4)		F1
<i>Tert</i> -butyl [(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-2-hydroxy-3-({1-methyl-1-[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl] ethyl}amino)propyl] carbamate (H5)		F2
<i>Tert</i> -butyl ((1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-2-hydroxy-3-[(3-(trifluoromethoxy)benzyl]amino}propyl)carbamate (H6)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl [(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-3-(benzylamino)-2-hydroxypropyl]carbamate (H7)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl {(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-2-hydroxy-3-[(2-methylbenzyl)amino] propyl}carbamate (H8)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl {(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-2-hydroxy-3-[(3-methylbenzyl)amino] propyl}carbamate (H9)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl {(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-2-hydroxy-3-[(4-methylbenzyl)amino] propyl}carbamate (H10)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl {(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-2-hydroxy-3-[(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)amino]propyl} carbamate (H11)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl {(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-2-hydroxy-3-[(pyridin-3-ylmethyl)amino]propyl} carbamate (H12)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl {(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-2-hydroxy-3-[(pyridin-4-ylmethyl)amino]propyl} carbamate (H13)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl ((1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-2-hydroxy-3-[(2-phenylethyl)amino] propyl)carbamate (H14)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl [(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-2-hydroxy-3-(tetrahydro-2 <i>H</i> -pyran-4-ylamino)propyl] carbamate (H15)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl {(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-3-[(1 <i>S</i> )-2,3-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -inden-1-ylamino]-2-hydroxypropyl}carbamate (H16)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl {(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-2-hydroxy-3-[(1,1,5-		F3

<i>Tert</i> -butyl [(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-3-[(1-ethyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazol-4-yl)methyl]amino]-2-hydroxypropyl]carbamate (H18)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl [(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-3-[(2-methoxyethyl)amino]-2-hydroxypropyl]carbamate (H19)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl [(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-3-(ethylamino)-2-hydroxypropyl]carbamate (H20)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl [(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-3-[(2-fluoroethyl)amino]-2-hydroxypropyl]carbamate (H21)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl [(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-3-[(2,2-difluoroethyl)amino]-2-hydroxypropyl]carbamate (H22)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl [(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-2-hydroxy-3-[(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)amino]-2-hydroxypropyl]carbamate (H23)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl [(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-2-hydroxy-3-(propylamino)-2-hydroxypropyl] carbamate (H24)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl [(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-2-hydroxy-3-(isopropylamino)-2-hydroxypropyl] carbamate (H25)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl [(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-3-(cyclopropylamino)-2-hydroxypropyl]carbamate (H26)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl [(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-2-hydroxy-3-[(2,2,3,3,3-pentafluoropropyl)amino]-2-hydroxypropyl]carbamate (H27)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl [(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-2-hydroxy-3-(prop-2-yn-1-ylamino)-2-hydroxypropyl] carbamate (H28)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl [(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-3-(butylamino)-2-hydroxypropyl]carbamate (H29)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl [(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-2-hydroxy-3-[(1 <i>S</i> )-1-methylpropyl]amino]-2-hydroxypropyl]carbamate (H30)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl [(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-2-hydroxy-3-[(1 <i>R</i> )-1-methylpropyl]amino]-2-hydroxypropyl]carbamate (H31)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl [(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-3-[(cyclopropylmethyl)amino]-2-hydroxypropyl]carbamate (H32)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl [(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-2-hydroxy-3-(isobutylamino)-2-hydroxypropyl]carbamate (H33)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl [(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-3-(cyclobutylamino)-2-hydroxypropyl]carbamate (H34)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl [(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-3-( <i>Tert</i> -butylamino)-2-hydroxypropyl]carbamate (H35)		
<i>Tert</i> -butyl [(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-1-benzyl-3-(cyclopentylamino)-2-hydroxypropyl]carbamate (H36)		
1,1-Dimethylethyl [(1 <i>S,2R</i> )-3-[(2,2-dimethyltetrahydro-2 <i>H</i> -pyran-4-yl)amino]-2-hydroxy-1-		

(phenylmethyl)propyl]carbamate (H37)		
1,1-Dimethylethyl [(1S,2R)-1-[(3-chlorophenyl)methyl]-3-(cyclopropylamino)-2-hydroxypropyl]carbamate (H38)	K3	
1,1-Dimethylethyl [(1S,2R)-1-[(3-chlorophenyl)methyl]-3-(cyclohexylamino)-2-hydroxypropyl]carbamate (H39)	K3	
1,1-Dimethylethyl [(1S,2R)-1-[(3-chlorophenyl)methyl]-2-hydroxy-3-(tetrahydro-2H-pyran-4-ylamino)propyl]carbamate (H40)	K3	
1,1-Dimethylethyl {(1S,2R)-3-(cyclopropylamino)-1-[(3-fluorophenyl)methyl]-2-hydroxypropyl}carbamate (H41)	K2	
1,1-Dimethylethyl {(1S,2R)-3-(cyclohexylamino)-1-[(3-fluorophenyl)methyl]-2-hydroxypropyl}carbamate (H42)	K2	
1,1-Dimethylethyl [(1S,2R)-1-[(3-fluorophenyl)methyl]-2-hydroxy-3-(tetrahydro-2H-pyran-4-ylamino)propyl]carbamate (H43)	K2	
1,1-Dimethylethyl {(1S,2R)-3-(cyclopropylamino)-1-[(3,5-difluorophenyl)methyl]-2-hydroxypropyl}carbamate (H44)	K1	
1,1-Dimethylethyl {(1S,2R)-3-(cyclohexylamino)-1-[(3,5-difluorophenyl)methyl]-2-hydroxypropyl}carbamate (H45)	K1	
1,1-Dimethylethyl [(1S,2R)-1-[(3,5-difluorophenyl)methyl]-2-hydroxy-3-(tetrahydro-2H-pyran-4-ylamino)propyl]carbamate (H46)	K1	

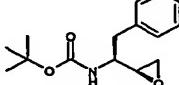
**BOC-protected Amine 47****1,1-Dimethylethyl [(1S,2R)-1-[(3-chlorophenyl)methyl]-2-hydroxy-3-(methylamino)propyl]carbamate (H47)**

- 5 To a solution of methylamine (2N in MeOH, 6 ml, 12 mmol, 7.1 equiv) was added 1,1-dimethylethyl {(1S)-2-(3-chlorophenyl)-1-[(2S)-2-oxiranyl]ethyl}carbamate (K3) (500 mg, 1.68 mmol, 1 equiv) and the resulting mixture was stirred at 60°C for 10 min with microwaves activation then cooled to room temperature and concentrated in vacuo to give 1,1-dimethylethyl [(1S,2R)-1-[(3-chlorophenyl)methyl]-2-hydroxy-3-(methylamino)propyl]carbamate (H47) (245 mg, 44%) as a cream coloured solid which was used in the next step without further purification.  $[M+H]^+$  = 329.4, RT = 2.13 min.
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**BOC-protected Amines 48-49 (H48-H49)**

- 15 Boc-protected amines 48-49 were obtained in an analogous manner to the procedure described for BOC-protected Amine 47 using the appropriate epoxide indicated in the table below:

Boc-protected amine	Precursor	$[M+H]^+$	RT (min)
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	epoxide		
1,1-Dimethylethyl [(1S,2R)-1-[(3-fluorophenyl)methyl]-2-hydroxy-3-(methylamino)propyl]carbamate (H48)	K2	313.5	1.98
1,1-Dimethylethyl [(1S,2R)-2-hydroxy-3-(methylamino)-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]carbamate (H49)		295.5	1.97

**BOC-protected Amine 50****Phenylmethyl [(2R,3S)-4-(3-chlorophenyl)-3-({[(1,1-dimethylethyl)oxy]carbonyl}amino)-2-hydroxybutyl]methylcarbamate (H50)**

- 5 To a solution of 1,1-dimethylethyl [(1S,2R)-1-[(3-chlorophenyl)methyl]-2-hydroxy-3-(methylamino)propyl]carbamate (H47) (245 mg, 0.75 mmol, 1 equiv) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (5 ml) at 0°C were added pyridine (91 ml, 1.12 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and phenylmethyl chloridocarbonate (117 ml, 0.825 mmol, 1.1 equiv) and the resulting solution was stirred at this temperature for 4 h then concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography on silica gel (iso-hexane/AcOEt: 4/1 to 1/1) gave phenylmethyl [(2R,3S)-4-(3-chlorophenyl)-3-({[(1,1-dimethylethyl)oxy]carbonyl}amino)-2-hydroxybutyl]methylcarbamate (H50) (227 mg, 66%) as a white foam.  $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+ = 463.4$ , RT = 3.58 min.
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**15 BOC-protected Amines 51-52 (H51-H52)**

Boc-protected amines H51-H52 were obtained in an analogous manner to the procedure described for BOC-protected Amine 50 using the appropriate precursor indicated in the table below:

Boc-protected amine	Precursor	$[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$	RT (min)
1,1-Dimethylethyl [(1S,2R)-1-[(3-fluorophenyl)methyl]-2-hydroxy-3-(methyl{[(phenylmethyl)oxy]carbonyl}amino)propyl] carbamate (H51)	H48	447.4	3.39
1,1-Dimethylethyl [(1S,2R)-2-hydroxy-3-(methyl{[(phenylmethyl)oxy]carbonyl}amino)-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]carbamate (H52)	H49	-	-

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**BOC-protected Amine 53****1,1-Dimethylethyl [(1S,2R)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-{[(phenylmethyl)oxy]carbonyl}amino)propyl]carbamate (H53)**

- A solution of 1,1-dimethylethyl [(1S,2R)-3-amino-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]carbamate (D19) (25.6 g, 91.4 mmol, 1 equiv) in DMF (250 ml) at 0°C was treated with  $\text{NEt}_3$  (15 ml, 108 mmol, 1.2 equiv) and then with benzyl chloroformate (14 ml, 98 mmol, 1.1 equiv) in DMF (50 ml) dropwise. The resulting solution was stirred at 0°C for 1 h and at room temperature for 16 h and then

concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was partitioned between AcOEt and saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution. The resulting precipitate was diluted with H<sub>2</sub>O and filtered to give 1,1-dimethylethyl [(1*S*,2*R*)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-({[(phenylmethyl)oxy]carbonyl}amino)propyl]carbamate (H53) (31.5 g, 83%) as a white solid which was used in the next step without further purification.

#### **BOC-protected Amine 54**

##### **1,1-Dimethylethyl [(1*S*,2*R*)-3-{[(6-bromo-2-pyridinyl)methyl]amino}-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]carbamate (H54)**

- 10 To a solution of 1,1-dimethylethyl [(1*S*,2*R*)-3-amino-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]carbamate (D19) (280 mg, 1 mmol, 1 equiv) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (6 ml) were added 6-bromo-2-pyridinecarbaldehyde (186 mg, 1 mmol, 1 equiv), AcOH (280 µl, 5 mmol, 5 equiv) and NaBH(OAc)<sub>3</sub> (848 mg, 4 mmol, 4 equiv) and the resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 hour then washed with a saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> aqueous solution, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification by flash chromatography on silica gel gave 1,1-dimethylethyl [(1*S*,2*R*)-3-{[(6-bromo-2-pyridinyl)methyl]amino}-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]carbamate (H54) (360 mg, 80%) as a white solid. [M+H]<sup>+</sup> = 450.4, RT = 2.44 min.

20 **BOC-protected Amines 55-61 (H55-H61)**

BOC-protected Amines 55-61 (H55-H61) were obtained in an analogous manner to that described for BOC-protected Amine 54 using the appropriate aldehyde indicated in the table below (if not commercially available):

Boc-protected amine	Aldehyde
1,1-Dimethylethyl [(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-3-{[(5-ethenyl-3-thienyl)methyl]amino}-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]carbamate (H55)	D37
1,1-Dimethylethyl [(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-{[(1-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazol-4-yl)methyl]amino}propyl]carbamate (H56)	D43
1,1-Dimethylethyl [(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-3-{[(5-[(methylamino)carbonyl]-3-pyridinyl)methyl]amino}-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]carbamate (H57)	
1,1-Dimethylethyl [(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-3-{[(2,2'-bipyridin-6-yl)methyl]amino}-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]carbamate (H58)	
1,1-Dimethylethyl [(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-3-{[(6-methyl-2-quinoxalinyl)methyl]amino}-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]carbamate (H59)	
1,1-Dimethylethyl {[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-[(3-quinolinyl)methyl]amino]propyl}carbamate (H60)	
1,1-Dimethylethyl [(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-3-{[(6-methyl-2-pyridinyl)methyl]amino}-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]carbamate (H61)	

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#### **BOC-protected Amine 62**

**1,1-Dimethylethyl [(1S,2R)-3-{{(5-ethyl-3-thienyl)methyl]amino}-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]carbamate (H62)**

To a solution of 1,1-dimethylethyl [(1S,2R)-3-{{(5-ethenyl-3-thienyl)methyl]amino}-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]carbamate (H55) (520 mg, 1.3 mmol, 1 equiv) in EtOH (100 ml) at room temperature were added 10% Palladium on charcoal (50% wet, 260 mg, 25% w/w) and NH<sub>4</sub>COOH (1.6 g, 25.4 mmol, 20 equiv) and the resulting mixture was stirred at reflux for 2 h then cooled to room temperature. The catalyst was filtered off through a pad of celite and most of the solvent was removed. The residue was partitioned between AcOEt and a saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> aqueous solution and the layers were separated. . The organic phase was washed with a saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> aqueous solution, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo* to give 1,1-dimethylethyl [(1S,2R)-3-{{(5-ethyl-3-thienyl)methyl]amino}-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]carbamate (H62) (410 mg, 79%) as a white solid which was used in the next step without further purification. [M+H]<sup>+</sup> = 505.1, RT = 2.71 min.

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**BOC-protected Amines 63-66 (H63-H66)**

BOC-protected amines 63-66 were prepared in an analogous manner to that described for BOC-protected amine H1, substituting cyclohexylamine with the appropriate epoxide or amine indicated in the table below (if not commercially available):

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BOC-protected amine	Epoxide precursor	Amine precursor
1,1-Dimethylethyl [(1S,2R)-2-hydroxy-3-{{(5-methyl-2-pyrazinyl)methyl]amino}-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]carbamate (H63)		
1,1-Dimethylethyl [(1S,2R)-3-{{(3-ethyl-5-isoxazolyl)methyl]amino}-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]carbamate (H64)		F4
1,1-Dimethylethyl [(1S,2R)-3-{{(1S)-2-(cyclohexylamino)-1-methyl-2-oxoethyl]amino}-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]carbamate (H65)		F5
1,1-Dimethylethyl [(1S,2R)-3-[(4,4-difluorocyclohexyl) amino]-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]carbamate (H66)		F6

**Preparation of Acids**

**Acid 1**

**7-Ethyl-2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro[1,4]diazepino[3,2,1-*h*]indole-9-carboxylic acid (A1)**

To a solution methyl 7-ethyl-2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro[1,4]diazepino[3,2,1-*h*]indole-9-carboxylate (B1) (120 mg, 0.42 mmol, 1 equiv) in EtOH (20 ml) was added 2N aqueous NaOH solution (20 ml, 40 mmol, 95 equiv). The resulting mixture was stirred for 14 h

then most of EtOH was removed *in vacuo*. The residue was extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O. The aqueous layer was acidified using 2N aqueous HCl solution and the white precipitate formed was extracted twice with AcOEt. The combined organic solutions were dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo* to give 7-ethyl-2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-[1,4]diazepino[3,2,1-*h*]indole-9-carboxylic acid (A1) (62 mg, 57%) as a white solid, which was used in the next step without further purification.  
 5 [M+H]<sup>+</sup> = 259.4, RT = 2.56 min.

#### Acid 1 (Alternative Procedure)

- 10 **7-Ethyl-2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-[1,4]diazepino[3,2,1-*h*]indole-9-carboxylic acid (A1)**

To a solution 7-ethyl-2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-[1,4]diazepino[3,2,1-*h*]indole-9-carboxylic acid ethyl ester (B18) (120 mg, 0.42 mmol, 1 equiv) in EtOH (20 ml) was added 2N aqueous NaOH solution (20 ml, 40 mmol, 95 equiv). The resulting mixture was stirred for 14 h then most of EtOH was removed *in vacuo*. The residue was extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O. The aqueous layer was acidified using 2N aqueous HCl solution and the white precipitate formed was extracted twice with AcOEt. The combined organic solutions were dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo* to give the title compound (A1) (62 mg, 57%) as a white solid, which was used in the next step without further purification.  
 15 [M+H]<sup>+</sup> = 259.4, RT = 2.56 min.

#### Acids 2-17 (A2-A17)

Acids 2-17 were prepared in an analogous manner to that described for Acid 1, from the corresponding esters indicated in the table below:

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Acid	Ester	[M+H] <sup>+</sup>	RT (min)
7-Ethyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxylic acid 2,2-dioxide (A2)	B2	293.2	2.55
7-Ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxylic acid 2,2-dioxide (A3)	B3	309.1	2.68
7-Ethyl-1-phenyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxylic acid 2,2-dioxide (A4)	B4	371.1	3.14
7-Ethyl-1,3-dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxylic acid 2,2-dioxide (A5)	B5	323.4	2.66
7-Ethyl-1-(phenylmethyl)-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxylic acid 2,2-dioxide (A6)	B6	385.4	3.02
7-Ethyl-1-(1-methylethyl)-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxylic acid 2,2-dioxide (A7)	B7	337.4	2.80

acid 2,2-dioxide (A7)			
1,7-Diethyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxylic acid 2,2-dioxide (A8)	B8	323.4	2.70
1-Methyl-7-(1-methylethyl)-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxylic acid 2,2-dioxide (A9)	B9	323.4	2.75
7-Ethyl-1-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxylic acid 2,2-dioxide (A10)	B10	377.3	2.82
1-Methyl-7-propyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxylic acid 2,2-dioxide (A11)	B11	323.2	2.74
1-Ethyl-7-propyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxylic acid 2,2-dioxide (A12)	B12	337.2	2.86
1-{2-[(1,1-Dimethylethyl)oxy]-2-oxoethyl}-7-ethyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxylic acid 2,2-dioxide (A13)	B13	353.3 (- <i>t</i> Bu)	2.48
6-Ethyl-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-8-carboxylic acid 2,2-dioxide (A14)	B14	279.3	2.45
6-Ethyl-1,3-dimethyl-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-8-carboxylic acid 2,2-dioxide (A15)	B15	309.4	2.80
6-Ethyl-1-methyl-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-8-carboxylic acid 2,2-dioxide (A16)	B16	295.4	2.70
6-Ethyl-1,3,3-trimethyl-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-8-carboxylic acid 2,2-dioxide (A17)	B17		

**Acids 2-4 (A2-A4)**

Acids 2-4 were obtained from the corresponding esters using an analogous procedure to that described for Acid 1 (Alternative Procedure):

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Acid	Starting Material	[M+H] <sup>+</sup>	RT (min)
2-Ethyl-7,7-dioxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-7/ <i>6</i> -thia-6,9a-diaza-benzo[cd]azulene-4-carboxylic acid (A2)	B19	293.2	2.55
2-Ethyl-6-methyl-7,7-dioxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-7/ <i>6</i> -thia-6,9a-diaza-benzo[cd]azulene-4-carboxylic acid (A3)	B20	309.1	2.68
2-Ethyl-7,7-dioxo-6-phenyl-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-7/ <i>6</i> -thia-6,9a-diaza-benzo[cd]azulene-4-carboxylic acid	B21	371.1	3.14

(A4)

**Preparation of Amines****Amine 1****(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-(cyclohexylamino)-4-phenylbutan-2-ol di-hydrochloride (C1)**

5 *Tert*-butyl [(1*S,2R*)-1-benzyl-3-(cyclohexylamino)-2-hydroxypropyl]carbamate (H1) (9 g, 25 mmol, 1 equiv) was dissolved in MeOH (70 ml) and then a 4M solution of HCl in dioxane (60 ml, excess) was added. The resulting mixture was stirred for 3 h at room temperature and then the solvents were removed by evaporation *in vacuo*. The resulting residue was washed with AcOEt and then with Et<sub>2</sub>O before drying *in vacuo* to give 10 (2*R,3S*)-3-amino-1-(cyclohexylamino)-4-phenylbutan-2-ol *di*-hydrochloride (C1) as a white solid (7.4 g, 88%).

**Amines 2-46 (C2-C46)**

15 Amines 2-46 were prepared in an analogous manner to that described for Amine 1 (C1), from BOC-protected amines H2-H46, respectively. In some cases the 4M HCl in dioxane was replaced with 3 equivalents of p-toluene sulphonic acid to give the tosic acid salts as the product.

Amine	Precursor
(2 <i>R,3S</i> )-3-Amino-1-[(3-methoxybenzyl)amino]-4-phenylbutan-2-ol <i>di</i> -tosylate (C2)	H2
(2 <i>R,3S</i> )-3-Amino-4-phenyl-1-{[3-(trifluoromethyl)benzyl]amino}butan-2-ol <i>di</i> -hydrochloride (C3)	H3
(2 <i>R,3S</i> )-3-Amino-1-[(1-(3-methoxyphenyl)-1-methylethyl)amino]-4-phenylbutan-2-ol <i>di</i> -hydrochloride (C4)	H4
(2 <i>R,3S</i> )-3-Amino-1-({1-methyl-1-[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]ethyl}amino)-4-phenylbutan-2-ol <i>di</i> -hydrochloride (C5)	H5
(2 <i>R,3S</i> )-3-Amino-4-phenyl-1-{[3-(trifluoromethoxy)benzyl]amino}butan-2-ol <i>di</i> -tosylate (C6)	H6
(2 <i>R,3S</i> )-3-Amino-1-(benzylamino)-4-phenylbutan-2-ol <i>di</i> -tosylate (C7)	H7
(2 <i>R,3S</i> )-3-Amino-1-[(2-methylbenzyl)amino]-4-phenylbutan-2-ol <i>di</i> -tosylate (C8)	H8
(2 <i>R,3S</i> )-3-Amino-1-[(3-methylbenzyl)amino]-4-phenylbutan-2-ol <i>di</i> -tosylate (C9)	H9
(2 <i>R,3S</i> )-3-Amino-1-[(4-methylbenzyl)amino]-4-phenylbutan-2-ol <i>di</i> -tosylate (C10)	H10
(2 <i>R,3S</i> )-3-Amino-4-phenyl-1-[(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)amino]butan-2-ol <i>tri</i> -tosylate (C11)	H11
(2 <i>R,3S</i> )-3-Amino-4-phenyl-1-[(pyridin-3-ylmethyl)amino]butan-2-ol <i>di</i> -tosylate (C12)	H12

(2R,3S)-3-Amino-4-phenyl-1-[(pyridin-4-ylmethyl)amino]butan-2-ol <i>di-tosylate</i> (C13)	H13
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-4-phenyl-1-[(2-phenylethyl)amino]butan-2-ol <i>di-tosylate</i> (C14)	H14
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-4-phenyl-1-(tetrahydro-2H-pyran-4-ylamino)butan-2-ol <i>di-hydrochloride</i> (C15)	H15
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-[(1S)-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-ylamino]-4-phenylbutan-2-ol <i>di-tosylate</i> (C16)	H16
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-4-phenyl-1-[(1,1,5-trimethylhexyl)amino]butan-2-ol <i>di-hydrochloride</i> (C17)	H17
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-{{(1-ethyl-1H-pyrazol-4-yl)methyl}amino}-4-phenylbutan-2-ol <i>di-tosylate</i> (C18)	H18
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-[(2-methoxyethyl)amino]-4-phenylbutan-2-ol <i>di-tosylate</i> (C19)	H19
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-(ethylamino)-4-phenylbutan-2-ol <i>di-tosylate</i> (C20)	H20
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-[(2-fluoroethyl)amino]-4-phenylbutan-2-ol <i>di-tosylate</i> (C21)	H21
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-[(2,2-difluoroethyl)amino]-4-phenylbutan-2-ol <i>di-tosylate</i> (C22)	H22
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-4-phenyl-1-[(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)amino]butan-2-ol <i>di-tosylate</i> (C23)	H23
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-4-phenyl-1-(propylamino)butan-2-ol <i>di-tosylate</i> (C24)	H24
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-(isopropylamino)-4-phenylbutan-2-ol <i>di-tosylate</i> (C25)	H25
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-(cyclopropylamino)-4-phenylbutan-2-ol <i>di-tosylate</i> (C26)	H26
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-[(2,2,3,3,3-pentafluoropropyl)amino]-4-phenylbutan-2-ol <i>di-tosylate</i> (C27)	H27
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-4-phenyl-1-(prop-2-yn-1-ylamino)butan-2-ol <i>di-tosylate</i> (C28)	H28
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-(butylamino)-4-phenylbutan-2-ol <i>di-tosylate</i> (C29)	H29
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-{{(1S)-1-methylpropyl}amino}-4-phenylbutan-2-ol <i>di-tosylate</i> (C30)	H30
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-{{(1R)-1-methylpropyl}amino}-4-phenylbutan-2-ol <i>di-tosylate</i> (C31)	H31
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-[(cyclopropylmethyl)amino]-4-phenylbutan-2-ol <i>di-tosylate</i> (C32)	H32
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-(isobutylamino)-4-phenylbutan-2-ol <i>di-tosylate</i> (C33)	H33
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-(cyclobutylamino)-4-phenylbutan-2-ol <i>di-tosylate</i> (C34)	H34

(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-( <i>tert</i> -butylamino)-4-phenylbutan-2-ol <i>di</i> -tosylate (C35)	H35
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-(cyclopentylamino)-4-phenylbutan-2-ol <i>di</i> -tosylate (C36)	H36
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-[(2,2-dimethyltetrahydro-2 <i>H</i> -pyran-4-yl)amino]-4-phenyl-2-butanol <i>di</i> -tosylate (C37)	H37
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-4-(3-chlorophenyl)-1-(cyclopropylamino)-2-butanol <i>di</i> -tosylate (C38)	H38
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-4-(3-chlorophenyl)-1-(cyclohexylamino)-2-butanol <i>di</i> -tosylate (C39)	H39
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-4-(3-chlorophenyl)-1-(tetrahydro-2 <i>H</i> -pyran-4-ylamino)-2-butanol <i>di</i> -tosylate (C40)	H40
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-(cyclopropylamino)-4-(3-fluorophenyl)-2-butanol <i>di</i> -tosylate (C41)	H41
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-(cyclohexylamino)-4-(3-fluorophenyl)-2-butanol <i>di</i> -tosylate (C42)	H42
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-4-(3-fluorophenyl)-1-(tetrahydro-2 <i>H</i> -pyran-4-ylamino)-2-butanol <i>di</i> -tosylate (C43)	H43
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-(cyclopropylamino)-4-(3,5-difluorophenyl)-2-butanol <i>di</i> -tosylate (C44)	H44
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-(cyclohexylamino)-4-(3,5-difluorophenyl)-2-butanol <i>di</i> -tosylate (C45)	H45
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-4-(3,5-difluorophenyl)-1-(tetrahydro-2 <i>H</i> -pyran-4-ylamino)-2-butanol <i>di</i> -tosylate (C46)	H46

**Amines 50-52 (C50-C52)**

Amines 50-52 were obtained in an analogous procedure to that described for Amine 53 (C53) from BOC-protected amines H50-H52, respectively:

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Amine	Precursor	[M+H] <sup>+</sup>	RT (min)
Phenylmethyl [(2R,3S)-3-amino-4-(3-chlorophenyl)-2-hydroxybutyl]methylcarbamate hydrochloride (C50)	H50	363.4	2.27
Phenylmethyl [(2R,3S)-3-amino-4-(3-fluorophenyl)-2-hydroxybutyl]methylcarbamate hydrochloride (C51)	H51	347.5	2.05
Phenylmethyl [(2R,3S)-3-amino-2-hydroxy-4-phenylbutyl]methyl carbamate hydrochloride (C52)	H52	-	-

**Amine 53**

**Phenylmethyl [(2R,3S)-3-amino-2-hydroxy-4-phenylbutyl]carbamate hydrochloride (C53)**

A solution of 1,1-dimethylethyl [(1S,2R)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-  
 5 {{(phenylmethyl)oxy}carbonyl}amino]propyl]carbamate (H53) (31.5 g, 76.1 mmol, 1  
 equiv) in THF (300 ml) was treated with 4N HCl solution in dioxane (40 ml, 160 mmol, 2.1  
 equiv). The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 2 h then concentrated  
 in *vacuo*. The residue was triturated with Et<sub>2</sub>O/iso-hexane to give phenylmethyl [(2R,3S)-  
 10 3-amino-2-hydroxy-4-phenylbutyl]carbamate hydrochloride (C53) (22.1 g, 83%) as a  
 white solid which was used in the next step without further purification.

**Amines 54 and 56-66 (C54 and C56-C66)**

Amines 54 and 56-66 were prepared in an analogous manner to that described for  
 Amine 1 (C1), substituting the appropriate BOC-protected amines for *tert*-butyl [(1S,2R)-  
 15 1-benzyl-3-(cyclohexylamino)-2-hydroxypropyl]carbamate. In some cases the 4M HCl in  
 dioxane was replaced with 3 equivalents of p-toluene sulphonic acid to give the tosic  
 acid salts as the product.

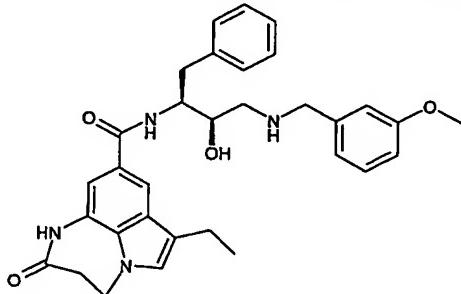
Amine	Precursor
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-{{(6-bromo-2-pyridinyl)methyl}amino}-4-phenyl-2-butanol (C54)	H54
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-4-phenyl-1-{{[1-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazol-4-yl]methyl}amino}-2-butanol <i>di</i> -tosylate (C56)	H56
5-{{(2R,3S)-3-Amino-2-hydroxy-4-phenylbutyl}amino}methyl)- <i>N</i> -methyl-3-pyridinecarboxamide <i>di</i> -tosylate (C57)	H57
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-[(2,2'-bipyridin-6-ylmethyl)amino]-4-phenyl-2-butanol <i>di</i> -tosylate (C58)	H58
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-{{(6-methyl-2-quinoxaliny) methyl}amino}-4-phenyl-2-butanol <i>di</i> -tosylate (C59)	H59
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-4-phenyl-1-[(3-quinolinylmethyl)amino]-2-butanol <i>di</i> -tosylate (C60)	H60
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-{{(6-methyl-2-pyridinyl)methyl}amino}-4-phenyl-2-butanol <i>di</i> -tosylate (C61)	H61
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-{{(5-ethyl-3-thienyl)methyl}amino}-4-phenyl-2-butanol <i>di</i> -tosylate (C62)	H62
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-{{(5-methyl-2-pyrazinyl)methyl}amino}-4-phenyl-2-butanol <i>di</i> -hydrochloride (C63)	H63
(2R,3S)-3-Amino-1-{{(3-ethyl-5-isoxazolyl)methyl}amino}-4-phenyl-2-	H64

butanol <i>di</i> -tosylate (C64)	
<i>N</i> <sup>2</sup> -[(2 <i>R</i> ,3 <i>S</i> )-3-Amino-2-hydroxy-4-phenylbutyl]- <i>N</i> <sup>1</sup> -cyclohexyl-L-alaninamide <i>di</i> -hydrochloride (C65)	H65
(2 <i>R</i> ,3 <i>S</i> )-3-Amino-1-[(4,4-difluorocyclohexyl)amino]-4-phenyl-2-butanol (C66)	H66

### Preparation of Examples

#### Example 1

5 **7-Ethyl-2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-[1,4]diazepino[3,2,1-*h*]indole-9-carboxylic acid [(1*S*,2*R*)-1-benzyl-2-hydroxy-3-(3-methoxy-benzylamino)-propyl]-amide (E1)**



To a solution of 7-ethyl-2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-[1,4]diazepino[3,2,1-*h*]indole-9-carboxylic acid (A1) (31 mg, 0.12 mmol, 1 equiv) in DMF (2 ml) and CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (8 ml) at room temperature was added (2*R*,3*S*)-3-amino-1-(3-methoxy-benzylamino)-4-phenylbutan-2-ol *di*-tosylate (C2) (77 mg, 0.12 mmol, 1 equiv), 1-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)-3-ethyl-carbodiimide hydrochloride (28 mg, 0.15 mmol, 1.2 equiv), 1-hydroxybenzotriazole hydrate (22 mg, 0.15 mmol, 1.2 equiv) and 4-ethylmorpholine (34 µl, 0.27 mmol, 2.2 equiv). The resulting mixture was stirred for 4 h then a saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution (10 ml) was added. The resulting mixture was vigorously stirred for 20 min. The layers were separated through an hydrophobic frit and the organic phase was concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by trituration with Et<sub>2</sub>O to yield 7-ethyl-2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-[1,4]diazepino[3,2,1-*h*]indole-9-carboxylic acid [(1*S*,2*R*)-1-benzyl-2-hydroxy-3-(3-methoxy-benzylamino)-propyl]-amide (E1) as a white solid (43.5 mg, 67 %). [M+H]<sup>+</sup> = 541.5, RT = 2.51 min.

#### Examples 2-88 (E2-E88)

Examples 2-88 were obtained in an analogous manner to the procedure described for Example 1 using the appropriate acid and the appropriate amine:

25	Example	Structure	Acid	Amine	[M+H] <sup>+</sup>	RT (min)

7-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-3-({[3-(methyloxy)phenyl]methyl}amino)-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide (E2)		A2	C2	577.4	2.52
7-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-3-({[3-(methyloxy)phenyl]methyl}amino)-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide (E3)		A3	C2	591.4	2.6
7-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-3-({[3-(methyloxy)phenyl]methyl}amino)-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-phenyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide (E4)		A4	C2	653.3	2.85
7-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-({[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]methyl}amino)propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E5)		A3	C3	629.5	2.69
7-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-({[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]methyl}amino)propyl]-1,3-dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E6)		A5	C3	643.5	2.78
<i>N</i> -[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-3-(Cyclohexylamino)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-7-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E7)		A3	C1	553.5	2.42

<i>N</i> -(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-3-(Cyclohexylamino)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-7-ethyl-1,3-dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E8)		A5	C1	567.6	2.61
7-Ethyl- <i>N</i> -(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-[(1,1,5-trimethylhexyl)amino]propyl]-1,3-dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E9)		A5	C17	611.7	2.99
7-Ethyl- <i>N</i> -(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-[(1,1,5-trimethylhexyl)amino]propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E10)		A3	C17	597.6	2.88
7-Ethyl- <i>N</i> -(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-3-({1-methyl-1-[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]ethyl}amino)-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E11)		A3	C5	657.5	2.81
7-Ethyl- <i>N</i> -(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-({[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]methyl}amino)propyl]-1-(phenylmethyl)-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E12)		A6	C3	705.5	3.02
7-Ethyl- <i>N</i> -(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-3-({1-methyl-1-[3-(methoxy)phenyl]ethyl}amino)-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1,3-dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -		A5	C4	633.6	2.64

[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-h]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E13)					
7-Ethyl-N-[(1S,2R)-2-hydroxy-3-({1-methyl-1-[3-(methyloxy)phenyl]ethyl}amino)-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-h]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E14)		A3	C4	619.6	2.6
7-Ethyl-N-[(1S,2R)-3-{{(1-ethyl-1H-pyrazol-4-yl)methyl}amino}-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-h]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E15)		A3	C18	579.6	2.34
7-Ethyl-N-[(1S,2R)-3-{{(1-ethyl-1H-pyrazol-4-yl)methyl}amino}-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1,3-dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-h]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E16)		A5	C18	593.6	2.43
7-Ethyl-N-[(1S,2R)-2-hydroxy-3-[(1-methylethyl)amino]-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-h]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E17)		A3	C25	513.5	2.28
7-Ethyl-N-[(1S,2R)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-(tetrahydro-2H-pyran-4-ylamino)propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-h]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E18)		A3	C15	555.6	2.28

<i>N</i> -[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-3-(Cyclopropylamino)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-7-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E19)		Chiral	A3	C26	511.5	2.26
7-Ethyl- <i>N</i> -[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-(tetrahydro-2 <i>H</i> -pyran-4-ylamino)propyl]-1-(1-methylethyl)-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E20)		Chiral	A7	C15	583.5	2.41
1,7-Diethyl- <i>N</i> -[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-(tetrahydro-2 <i>H</i> -pyran-4-ylamino)propyl]-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E21)		Chiral	A8	C15	569.5	2.36
<i>N</i> -[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-Hydroxy-3-[(1-methylethyl)amino]-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-7-(1-methylethyl)-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E22)		Chiral	A9	C25	527.5	2.47
<i>N</i> -[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-3-(Cyclohexylamino)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-7-(1-methylethyl)-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E23)		Chiral	A9	C1	567.5	2.67
<i>N</i> -[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-3-(Cyclopropylamino)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-7-(1-methylethyl)-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E24)		Chiral	A9	C26	525.5	2.46

<p>N-[(1S,2R)-2-Hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-(tetrahydro-2H-pyran-4-ylamino)propyl]-1-methyl-7-(1-methylethyl)-3,4-dihydro-1<i>H</i>-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-<i>h</i>]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E25)</p>		A9	C15	569.5	2.39
<p>N-[(1S,2R)-2-Hydroxy-3-({[3-(methyloxy)phenyl]methyl}amino)-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-7-(1-methylethyl)-3,4-dihydro-1<i>H</i>-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-<i>h</i>]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E26)</p>		A9	C2	605.5	2.66
<p>N-[(1S,2R)-3-(Cyclohexylamino)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1,7-diethyl-3,4-dihydro-1<i>H</i>-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-<i>h</i>]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E27)</p>		A8	C1	567.5	2.55
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<i>N</i> -[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-3-[(Cyclopropylmethyl)amino]-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl) propyl]-7-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E30)		Chiral	A3	C32	525.5	2.28
<i>N</i> -[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-1-[(3-Chlorophenyl)methyl]-3-(cyclopropylamino)-2-hydroxypropyl]-7-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E31)		Chiral	A3	C38	545.2	2.33
<i>N</i> -[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-1-[(3-Chlorophenyl)methyl]-3-(cyclohexylamino)-2-hydroxypropyl]-7-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E32)		Chiral	A3	C39	587.5	2.53
<i>N</i> -[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-1-[(3-Chlorophenyl)methyl]-2-hydroxy-3-(tetrahydro-2 <i>H</i> -pyran-4-ylamino)propyl]-7-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E33)		Chiral	A3	C40	589.4	2.34
<i>N</i> -[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-3-(Cyclopropylamino)-1-[(3-fluorophenyl)methyl]-2-hydroxypropyl]-7-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E34)		Chiral	A3	C41	529.4	2.26

7-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-(tetrahydro-2 <i>H</i> -pyran-4-ylamino)propyl]-1-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E35)		A10	C15	623.4	2.45
N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-3-(Cyclohexylamino)-1-[(3-fluorophenyl)methyl]-2-hydroxypropyl]-7-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E36)		A3	C42	571.5	2.51
7-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-1-[(3-fluorophenyl)methyl]-2-hydroxy-3-(tetrahydro-2 <i>H</i> -pyran-4-ylamino)propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E37)		A3	C43	573.4	2.33
N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-3-(Cyclohexylamino)-1-[(3,5-difluorophenyl)methyl]-2-hydroxypropyl]-7-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E38)		A3	C45	589.4	2.65
N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-3-(Cyclopropylamino)-1-[(3,5-difluorophenyl)methyl]-2-hydroxypropyl]-7-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E39)		A3	C44	547.3	2.44

<i>N</i> -[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-3-(Cyclobutylamino)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-7-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide (E40)		A3	C34	525.3	2.38
7-Ethyl- <i>N</i> -[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-3-[(2-fluoroethyl)amino]-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E41)		A3	C21	517.5	2.16
<i>N</i> -[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-3-[(2,2-Dimethyltetrahydro-2 <i>H</i> -pyran-4-yl)amino]-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-7-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide (E42)		A3	C37	583.5	2.44
<i>N</i> -[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-3-[(1,1-Dimethylethyl)amino]-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-7-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide (E43)		A3	C35	527.6	2.41
<i>N</i> -[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-Hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-({[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]methyl}amino)propyl]-1-methyl-7-propyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E44)		A11	C3	643.4	2.88

<i>N</i> -[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-3-(Cyclohexylamino)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-7-propyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E45)		Chl	A11	C1	567.4	2.66
<i>N</i> -[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-Hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-(tetrahydro-2 <i>H</i> -pyran-4-ylamino)propyl]-1-methyl-7-propyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E46)		Chl	A11	C15	569.4	2.43
<i>N</i> -[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-3-{[(1-Ethyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazol-4-yl)methyl]amino}-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-7-propyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E47)		Chl	A11	C18	593.4	2.47
1-Ethyl- <i>N</i> -[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-({[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]methyl}amino)propyl]-7-propyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E48)		Chl	A12	C3	657.4	2.94
<i>N</i> -[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-3-(Cyclohexylamino)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-ethyl-7-propyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E49)		Chl	A12	C1	581.4	2.73

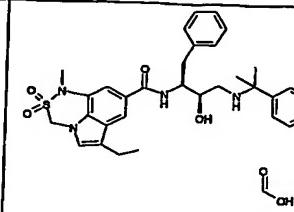
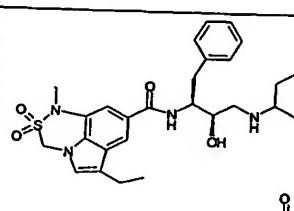
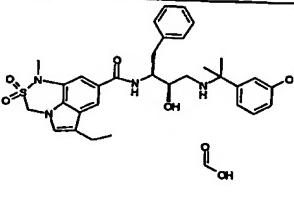
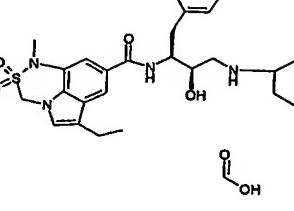
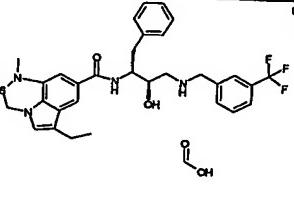
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1-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-3-[(1-ethyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazol-4-yl)methyl]amino]-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-7-propyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E51)		A12	C18	607.4	2.53
<i>N</i> -[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-1-[(3,5-Difluorophenyl)methyl]-2-hydroxy-3-(tetrahydro-2 <i>H</i> -pyran-4-ylamino)propyl]-7-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E52)		A3	C46	591.3	2.41
7-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-3-{{2-(methyloxy)ethyl}amino}-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E53)		A3	C19	529.5	2.28
7-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-3-(ethylamino)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E54)		A3	C20	499.5	2.3

7-Ethyl-N-[(1S,2R)-2-hydroxy-3-[(1S)-1-methylpropyl]amino]-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-h]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E55)		A3	C30	527.5	2.42
N-[(1S,2R)-3-(Butylamino)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-7-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-h]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E56)		A3	C29	527.5	2.5
7-Ethyl-N-[(1S,2R)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-(2-propyn-1-ylamino)propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-h]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide (E57)		A3	C28	509.2	2.29
N-[(1S,2R)-3-(Cyclopentylamino)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-7-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-h]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide (E58)		A3	C36	539.3	2.42
7-Ethyl-N-[(1S,2R)-2-hydroxy-3-[(2-methylpropyl)amino]-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-h]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide (E59)		A3	C33	527.3	2.42
7-Ethyl-N-[(1S,2R)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-(propylamino)propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-h]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide (E60)		A3	C24	513.3	2.35

7-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-3-[(1 <i>R</i> )-1-methylpropyl]amino]-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide (E61)		A3	C31	527.3	2.42
N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-3-[(2,2-Difluoroethyl)amino]-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-7-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide (E62)		A3	C22	535.3	2.35
7-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-[(phenylmethyl)amino]propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E63)		A3	C7	561.6	2.6
7-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-[(2-pyridinylmethyl)amino]propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E64)		A3	C11	562.6	2.44
7-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-[(4-pyridinylmethyl)amino]propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E65)		A3	C13	562.6	2.35
7-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-3-[(2-phenylethyl)amino]-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E66)		A3	C14	575.4	2.64

7-Ethyl-N-((1S,2R)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-[(3-[(trifluoromethyl)oxy]phenyl)methyl]amino]propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E67)		A3	C6	645.4	2.81
7-Ethyl-N-((1S,2R)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-[(3-pyridinylmethyl)amino]propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E68)		A3	C12	562.6	2.35
7-Ethyl-N-[(1S,2R)-2-hydroxy-3-[(2-methylphenyl)methyl]amino]-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E69)		A3	C8	575.4	2.6
7-Ethyl-N-[(1S,2R)-2-hydroxy-3-[(3-methylphenyl)methyl]amino]-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E70)		A3	C9	575.4	2.62
7-Ethyl-N-[(1S,2R)-2-hydroxy-3-[(4-methylphenyl)methyl]amino]-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E71)		A3	C10	575.4	2.62
N-[(1S,2R)-3-[(1S)-2,3-Dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -inden-1-ylamino]-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-7-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-		A3	C16	587.3	2.58

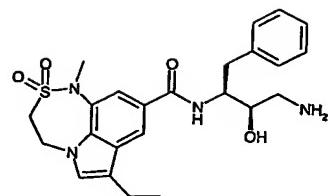
dioxide formate salt (E72)						
1,1-Dimethylethyl [7-ethyl-9-({[(1S,2R)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-({[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]methyl}amino)propyl]amino}carbonyl)-2,2-dioxido-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indol-1-yl]acetate formate salt (E73)		c	A13	C3	-	2.7
7-Ethyl-N-[(1S,2R)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-({[1-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazol-4-yl]methyl}amino)propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E74)		c	A3	C56	633.4	2.48
6-Ethyl-N-[(1S,2R)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-[(1,1,5-trimethylhexyl)amino]propyl]-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-8-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E75)		c	A14	C17	569.6	2.78
N-[(1S,2R)-3-(Cyclohexylamino)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-6-ethyl-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-8-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E76)		c	A14	C1	525.5	2.39
6-Ethyl-N-[(1S,2R)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-({[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]methyl}amino)propyl]-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-8-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E77)		c	A14	C3	601.5	2.6
6-Ethyl-N-[(1S,2R)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-({[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]methyl}amino)propyl]-1,3-dimethyl-1 <i>H</i> -		c	A15	C3	629.5	2.87

[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-8-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E78)						
6-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-3-({1-methyl-1-[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]ethyl}amino)-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-8-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E79)		A16	C5	643.6	2.85	
<i>N</i> -[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-3-(Cyclohexylamino)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-6-ethyl-1-methyl-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-8-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E80)		A16	C1	539.6	2.55	
6-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-3-({1-methyl-1-[3-(methyloxy)phenyl]ethyl}amino)-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-8-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E81)		A16	C4	605.6	2.69	
6-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-(tetrahydro-2 <i>H</i> -pyran-4-ylamino)propyl]-1-methyl-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-8-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E82)		A16	C15	541.6	2.33	
6-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-({[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]methyl}amino)propyl]-1-methyl-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-8-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E83)		A16	C3	615.5	2.78	

6-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-[(1,1,5-trimethylhexyl)amino]propyl]-1-methyl-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-8-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E84)		A16	C17	583.6	2.99
6-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-3-[(1-methylethyl)amino]-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-8-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E85)		A16	C25	499.5	2.38
6-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-3-({[3-(methyloxy)phenyl] methyl} amino)-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-8-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E86)		A16	C2	577.6	2.64
6-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-3-{{[(1-ethyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazol-4-yl)methyl]amino}-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-8-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E87)		A16	C18	565.6	2.38
6-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-(tetrahydro-2 <i>H</i> -pyran-4-ylamino)propyl]-1,3,3-trimethyl-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-8-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E88)		A17	C15	569.5	2.53

**Example 89**

**N-[(1*S*,2*R*)-3-Amino-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-7-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1*H*-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-*h*]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide (E89)**



To a solution of phenylmethyl ((2R,3S)-3-[(7-ethyl-1-methyl-2,2-dioxido-3,4-dihydro-1H-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-h]indol-9-yl)carbonyl]amino)-2-hydroxy-4-

- 5 phenylbutyl)carbamate (D24) (1.35 g, 2.27 mmol, 1 equiv) in AcOEt (20 ml) was added  
 10% Palladium on charcoal (50% wet, 270 mg, 10% w/w) and the resulting mixture was  
 stirred at room temperature under an atmosphere of hydrogen for 2 h. The catalyst was  
 filtered off through a pad of celite and the solution concentrated *in vacuo* to give *N*-  
 [(1*S*,2*R*)-3-amino-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-7-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1*H*-  
 [1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-h]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide (E89) (900 mg, 90%) as a  
 10 white foam.  $[M+H]^+$  = 471.4, RT = 2.14 min.

### Examples 90-94 (E90-E94)

Examples 90-94 were obtained using an analogous procedure to that described in Example 89 from the appropriate precursor indicated in the table below:

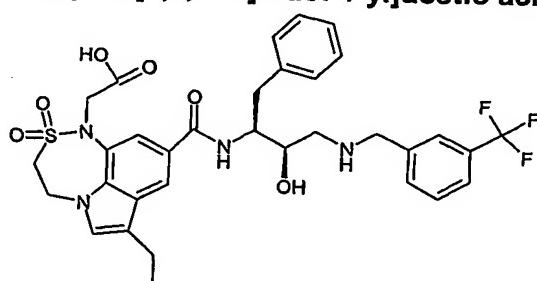
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Example	Structure	Precursor	$[M+H]^+$	RT (min)
7-Ethyl- <i>N</i> -(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-3-(methylamino)-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-h]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E90)	 	D22	485.5	2.24
<i>N</i> -(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-Hydroxy-3-(methylamino)-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-7-(1-methylethyl)-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-h]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E91)	 	D23	499.5	2.37

N-[(1S,2R)-1-[(3-Chlorophenyl)methyl]-2-hydroxy-3-(methylamino)propyl]-7-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E92)		D20	519.4	2.30
7-Ethyl-N-[(1S,2R)-1-[(3-fluorophenyl)methyl]-2-hydroxy-3-(methylamino)propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E93)		D21	503.5	2.26
6-Ethyl-N-[(1S,2R)-2-hydroxy-3-(methylamino)-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-8-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide (E94)		D25	471.5	2.29

**Example 95**

[7-Ethyl-9-{{[(1S,2R)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-({[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]methyl}amino)propyl]amino}carbonyl}-2,2-dioxido-3,4-dihydro-1*H*-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-*h*]indol-1-yl]acetic acid (E95)



To a solution of 1,1-dimethylethyl [7-ethyl-9-{{[(1S,2R)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-({[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]methyl}amino)propyl]amino}carbonyl}-2,2-dioxido-3,4-dihydro-1*H*-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-*h*]indol-1-yl]acetate formate salt (E73) (10 mg) in

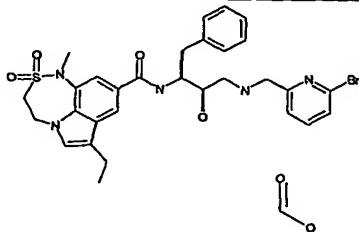
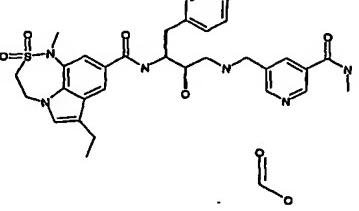
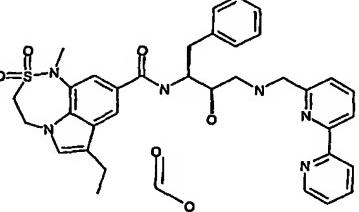
CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 ml) was added TFA (1 ml) and the resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 1h then concentrated in vacuo. Trituration of the residue with Et<sub>2</sub>O gave

[7-ethyl-9-{[(1*S*,2*R*)-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-({[3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]methyl}amino)propyl]amino}carbonyl]-2,2-dioxido-3,4-dihydro-1*H*-[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5-*h*]indol-1-yl]acetic acid (E95) (5 mg, 50%) as a white solid.  
[M+H]<sup>+</sup> = 673.3, RT = 2.71 min.

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### Examples 96-106 (E96-E106)

Examples 96-106 were obtained in an analogous manner to Example 1 (E1) using the appropriate acid and the appropriate amine indicated in the table below:

Example	Structure	Acid	Amine	[M+H] <sup>+</sup>	RT (min)
N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-3-{[(6-Bromo-2-pyridinyl)methyl]amino}-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-7-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E96)		A3	C54	640.4	2.64
7-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-3-{{[5-[(methylamino)carbonyl]-3-pyridinyl]methyl}amino}-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E97)		A3	C57	619.4	2.31
N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-3-[(2,2'-Bipyridin-6-ylmethyl)amino]-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-7-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E98)		A3	C58	639.5	2.59

7-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-3-{{[(6-methyl-2-quinoxaliny) methyl]amino}-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E99)		A3	C59	627.5	2.61
7-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)-3-[(3-quinolinylmethyl)amino]propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E100)		A3	C60	612.5	2.58
7-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-3-{{[(6-methyl-2-pyridinyl)methyl]amino}-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E101)		A3	C61	576.5	2.54
7-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-3-{{[(5-ethyl-3-thienyl)methyl]amino}-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E102)		A3	C62	595.2	2.79
7-Ethyl-N-[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-2-hydroxy-3-{{[(5-methyl-2-pyrazinyl)methyl]amino}-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E103)		A3	C63	577.5	2.41

7-Ethyl-N-[(1S,2R)-3-{[(3-ethyl-5-isoxazolyl)methyl]amino}-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide (E104)		A3	C64	580.5	2.57
<i>N</i> -[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-3-{[(1 <i>S</i> )-2-(Cyclohexylamino)-1-methyl-2-oxoethyl]amino}-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl]-7-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide (E105)		A3	C65	624.5	2.65
<i>N</i> -[(1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i> )-3-{[(4,4-Difluorocyclohexyl)amino]-2-hydroxy-1-(phenylmethyl)propyl}-7-ethyl-1-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -[1,2,5]thiadiazepino[3,4,5- <i>h</i> ]indole-9-carboxamide 2,2-dioxide formate salt (E106)		A3	C66	589.5	2.52

Compounds of the invention may be tested for *in vitro* biological activity in accordance with the following assays:

##### 5 (I) Asp-2 inhibitory assay

For each compound being assayed, in a 384 well plate, is added:-

- a) 1µl of a DMSO solution of the test compound (IC<sub>50</sub> curve uses ten 1 in 2 serial dilutions from 500 µM).

b) 10 µl of substrate (FAM-[SEVNLDAEFK]-TAMRA ) solution in buffer. This is prepared

- 10 by diluting 2ml of a 2mM DMSO solution of the substrate into 400ml of buffer (100mM Sodium acetate pH = 4.5, 1 l Milli-Q water, 0.06% Triton X-100 (0.5 ml/l) , pH adjusted to 4.5 using glacial acetic acid). Aminomethyl fluorescein (FAM) and tetramethyl rhodamine (TAMRA) are fluorescent molecules which co-operate to emit fluorescence at 535nm upon cleavage of the SEVNLDAEFK peptide.

c) 10 µl enzyme solution. This is prepared by diluting 16ml of a 500nM enzyme solution into 384 ml of buffer (prepared as above).

Blank wells (enzyme solution replaced by buffer) are included as controls on each plate. Wells are incubated for 1h at room temperature and fluorescence read using a Tecan

5 Ultra Fluorimeter/Spectrophotometer ( 485nm excitation, 535nm emission).

#### (II) Cathepsin D inhibitory assay

For each compound being assayed, in a 384 well plate, is added:-

a) 1µl of a DMSO solution of the test compound (IC<sub>50</sub> curve uses ten 1 in 2 serial dilutions from 500 µM).

10 b) 10 µl of substrate (FAM-[SEVNLDAEFK]-TAMRA ) solution in buffer. This is prepared by diluting 2ml of a 2mM DMSO solution of the substrate into 400ml of buffer (100mM Sodium acetate pH = 4.5, 1 l Milli-Q water, 0.06% Triton X-100 (0.5 ml/l) , pH adjusted to 4.5 using glacial acetic acid).

15 c) 10 µl enzyme solution. This is prepared by diluting 1.6ml of a 200 unit/ml (in 10 mM HCl) enzyme solution into 398.4 ml of buffer (prepared as above).

Blank wells (enzyme solution replaced by buffer) are included as controls on each plate. Wells are incubated for 1h at room temperature and fluorescence read using a Tecan Ultra Fluorimeter/Spectrophotometer ( 485nm excitation, 535nm emission).

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#### Pharmacological Data

The compounds of E1-E106 were tested in the Asp-2 inhibitory assay and exhibited inhibition <10µM. More particularly, the compounds of Examples E3-E7, E9-E11, E13,

25 E15-E16, E21, E27, E32, E36, E37-E39, E44, E47-E48, E51, E67, E70, E72, E74, E78-E79, E83, E86, E97, E102, E104 and E105-E106 exhibited inhibition <1µM in the Asp-2 inhibitory assay. Most particularly, the compounds of Examples E3, E5, E15-E16, E39, E47, E51, E67, E70, E74, E97, E102, E104 and E105 were tested in the Asp-2 inhibitory assay and the Cathepsin D inhibitory assay and exhibited inhibition <1µM in the Asp-2

30 inhibitory assay and > 100 fold selectivity for Asp2 over CatD.

#### Abbreviations

DMF dimethylformamide

DMSO dimethylsulfoxide

35 DMAP dimethylaminophenol

DABCO 1,4-diazabicyclo [2.2.2] octane

DME dimethyl ether

THF tetrahydrofuran

HOBT N-hydroxybenzotriazole

40 FAM carboxyfluorescein

TAMRA carboxytetramethylrhodamine

[ ] single amino acid letter code relating to peptide sequence